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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

There are no further developments in the case of the missing Miss Cropsey; the father of the girl charges young Wilcox with her murder. —— Democratic Senators held their first caucus yesterday; Senator McLaurin was not present. —— Final arguments of counsel in the trial of Mrs. Bouine were begun yesterday; the case may go to the jury this afternoon. —— Railways at El Paso, Texas, are blocked with cars of east bound California oranges. —— The Philippine tariff bill will be taken up in the House next Tuesday; Democrats will make minority report in opposition to the measure. —— British steamer Montenegro libelled at Norfolk, Va., by a passenger, claiming $50,000 damages for injuries received on board the ship. —— An Austrian steamer is at Newport News from New Orleans with cargo of cotton on fire. —— E. L. Powell, correspondent of Murphy & Co., New York, at Wilson, N. C., has disappeared, $40,000 short in his accounts. —— Terry McGovern and Dave Sullivan have signed for a bout to take place January 30th. —— A negro man and woman arrested in Omaha., Neb., charged with the robbery of $15,000 worth of diamonds. —— Mrs. Dennis, the woman mysteriously assaulted in her room in Washington, D. C., is hovering between life and death; there is no tangible clue to the perpetrator of the crime—— New York markets: Money on call strong at 5@7 per cent., the last loan at 6@10 per cent.; cotton quiet at 8½c; flour market was weak and 5@10c. lower; wheat—spot weak, No. 2 red 86½c; corn—spot weak, No. 2 70½c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine barely steady.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 11.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 38 degrees; 8 P. M., 52 degrees; maximum, 62 degrees; minimum, 37 degrees; mean, 50 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month to date, 2.36 inches.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—For North Carolina: Fair Tuursday and probably Friday; light northeasterly winds.

Port Almanac—December 12.

Sun Rises	7.01 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.46 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 45 M.
High Water at Southport	8 35 P. M.
High Water Wilmington.	10.55 P. M.

French doctors are trying the effect of air ship trips on consumptives. If the trials prove satisfactoy we suppose the next thing will be hospitals in the air.

The weather is pretty cool in Ohio, but things are beginning to warm up. The Hanna-Foraker factions are making it hot for each other.

King Edward's coronation crown will have three thousand diamonds in it. In memory of other days when he sat up with the boys, there should be a sprinkling of hearts, spades and clubs in it.

One of the Filipinos who has been giving our troops trouble recently was a negro deserter from the army Some native scouts captured him a few days ago and to make sure he would'nt get away chopped his head off, took that and left the body in the woods.

In England some of the nobles are wrangling over who shall carry the King's bow and arrows in the coronation racket. If it were put up to the highest bidder we'd wager that our own W. W. Astor would capture the honor of strutting as a bow toter.

A Harvard graduate recently performed the feat of eating at one sitting three large beef steaks, two mutton chops, a dish of peas, two cups of coffee, a loaf of bread, and washed it all down with two bottles of apollinaris water. Harvard may have turned out some hogs before him, but he has broken the record.

Some American managers of manufacturing establishments in Germany employ some American workmen, and it has been shown that these workmen, allowing for everything, turn out 25 per cent. more work than their German fellow-workmen. They think quicker, move quicker, and handle machinery more cleverly.

Mr. Studebaker, of South Bend, Indiana, who died recently leaving a fortune of several millions, started business fifty years ago with a cash capital of $2.50. Andrew Carnegie started without any cash capital at all, and it wouldn't take him two minutes and a half to give away more lucre than Mr. Studebaker accummulated in those fifty years.

For LaGrippe and Influenza use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.
For sale by Hardin's Palace Pharmacy.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. A. B. Pearsall, of Red Springs, was here yesterday.

—Mrs. E. P. Boatwright left yesterday morning for Richmond, to visit friends.

— Messrs. C. L. Ives and W. R. Guion, of Newbern, spent yesterday in the city.

— Mr. R. D. Carr, of Xenia, Duplin county, was in the city on a business trip yesterday.

— Mrs. Andrew Moreland and little son are at home from a visit to the Charleston Exposition.

—Miss Bessie Miller, of Goldsboro, returned home yesterday after a visit to the Misses Borden.

— Mr. H. J. Lyon, of Duplin, N. C., and T. H. Sutton, Esq., of Fayetteville, arrived last evening.

— Friends of Mr. R. Beverly Mason will regret to know that he is seriously ill with typhoid fever.

— Mrs. T. M. Palmour, of Richmond, Va., is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. O. Page, No. 617 Grace street.

— Mr. Garland Jones, of Raleigh, and C. Furber Jones, Esq., of Charlotte, were arrivals at the Orton yesterday.

— Mrs. B. M. Chiswell has arrived from Maryland to visit her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. J. H. Bellamy,

— Miss Kate Carmon, of Fayetteville, returned home yesterday, after a visit to the family of Mr. James F. Woolvin.

— Mr. Pembroke Jones and daughter, Miss Sadie, arrived yesterday at Mr. Jones' handsome country estate, Airlee.

— Miss Mary Dell Canady has returned to her home at Scott s Hill after a delightful visit of a month to friends and relatives in the city.

—Mrs. W. H. French, of Rocky Point, and her guest, Mrs. A. H. Kendrick, of Bangor, Me., spent yesterday in the city shopping.

—Mrs. Thos. R. Kerr, maid and two children, and Miss Paton, of Jacksonville, N. C., were in the city yesterday for a few hours shopping.

— *Fayetteville Observer, 11th*: "Mr. A. S. Williams, who has been spending a week at Cottondale, returned to Wilmington this morning."

— Mrs. Herbert McClammy and little daughter, Miriam, left yesterday for Wayne county, where they will spend a month with Mrs. McClammy's relatives. From there they will go to High Point to spend the remainder of the Winter.

Married in Pender County.

Mr. W. K. King, of this city, and a trusted employe of the Hilton Lumber Company, arrived in the city last evening, bringing with him his bride, who was Miss Rosa Humphrey, an attractive young lady, of Demmons, Pender county, N. C. They were married by the Rev. D. P. McGeachy, of Burgaw, at the home of the bride, yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Among those in attendance from Wilmington were Miss Lula King with Mr. C. O. Knox, and Miss Mary Frink and Mr. Walter Maultsby. Upon their arrival in Wilmington Mr. and Mrs. King received heartiest congratulations from hundreds of friends. They will reside at No. 415 Orange street.

Boy Fell Into River.

Ray Hermon, a twelve-year-old white lad, fell overboard from the fruit schooner near Front street market house yesterday morning about 11 o'clock. He was about to go down a third time when he was rescued by Jim Brinkley and another boy named Cottle, who went to him in a boat. Young Hermon was with innumerable other boys of about his own age who gathered around the vessel to "fish" for specked fruit thrown overboard. He reached too far for an orange and himself fell overboard.

Married Yesterday Afternoon.

Mr. James E. Marshburn and Miss Amanda Irene Benton were married yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Benton, on Second street. Rev. Dr. C. S. Blackwell performed the ceremony in a pretty and impressive manner. Mr. Marshburn is a wealthy and successful farmer and merchant near Catharine Lake, Onslow county, N. C. The happy party took the afternoon train for the groom's pretty country home, where they will reside.

Negro With Queer Visions.

Frank Davis, Jr., a middle-aged colored man, was taken into custody by Policeman B. R. King at 9 o'clock yesterday morning at a restaurant kept by colored persons on Water between Market and Princess streets. He is help for insanity though visions of snakes, scorpions, rats and Hobgoblins complained of by the negro, lead the police to believe he has delirium tremens, sometimes called "jim-jams," "jimmies" and the like.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

W. B. Cooper—Fresh oranges.
E. Warren & Son—Special sale.
Levi McMillan & Co—This week.
Opera House—Uncle Josh Spruceby

BUSINESS LOCALS.

J. R. Westbrook—Fine bananas.

DR. GEO. PATTERSON.

His Sudden Death at Memphis, Tenn., Caused Universal Regret in Wilmington.

ONCE RECTOR OF ST. JOHN'S.

He Was Popular and Highly Esteemed. Effort Failed to Have Body Interred Here in Deference to His Oft Expressed Wish.

Yesterday morning a telegram was received in the city, addressed to Rt. Rev. Bishop A. A. Watson, announcing the sudden death at 8 o'clock Tuesday night of the Rev. George T. Patterson, of Memphis, Tenn., rector of Grace Episcopal church, that city, and for many years rector of St. John's parish and assistant rector of St. James', this city.

Dr. Patterson was a native of Boston, Mass., and was of Greek parentage on his father's side. He was 73 years of age and death resulted of heart failure.

Dr. Patterson came to Wilmington in the year 1856, when comparatively a young man, and became assistant to the rector of St. James, who was then Dr. Watson, now Rt. Rev. Bishop A. A. Watson. At Easter of the year 1870, Dr. Patterson became rector of St. John's parish and continued in that capacity with marked ability and popularity until the year 1880, when he resigned to assume work with the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn. Subsequently he became rector of an Episcopal parish in Dennison, Texas, where he remained only for a short while, going to Grace church, Memphis, in the year 1883, soon after the Rev. Dr. James Carmichael resigned that work to go to Maryland and later coming to St. John's church, this city.

Dr. Patterson was a most capable rector, a most earnest Christian, a most loveable man and possessed of a temperament full of generosity. There was no call of sorrow or sickness but received from him prompt, ready and sympathetic succor. With a keen sense of humor and a sincere devotion to mankind, he made friends everywhere and in every denomination. His death is received here only with a sense of deepest sorrow. During the war he served most efficiently as chaplain of the Third North Carolina Regiment, having received a commission through Col. W. L. DeRosset in December, 1862. Near the close of the conflict he was transferred to Chimborazo Hospital, Richmond, where he served until the surrender.

Upon receipt of information of his death, St. John's Church, of this city, together with some of his innumerable friends here, knowing his oft expressed desire to be buried at a certain spot in St. John's church yard, immediately telegraphed to Memphis to have his remains sent to Wilmington by express at their expense. A special consent of the municipal authorities had to be gained, which was accomplished directly, and every arrangement made for his interment here, where he desired. Yesterday evening, however, Dr. James Carmichael, rector of S. John's parish, received the following reply from Memphis: "The vestry of Grace Church have just decided to bury Dr. Patterson here on Friday."

This conclusion of that vestry will cause a thrill of universal regret in this community, where he was so thoroughly loved and by a people who were so desirous to render the last sad homage possible on earth to his worth and to his memory.

Railroad Conductor Dead.

News reached the city yesterday of the death at Maxton, N. C., on the evening previous at 6:15 o'clock of Capt. James Gaylor, a well known railroad conductor, who has many friends in Wilmington. He was 37 years of age and died after an illness of several weeks with typhoid fever. He is survived by a wife and seven children. His death is also mourned by his mother, Mrs. Margaret M. Gaylor, of Magnolia; three brothers and two sisters, Messrs. Walter, George and John Gaylor, and Mrs. J. A. Matthews, of Magnolia, and Mrs. Callahan, of Red Springs. The funeral will be held at Parkersburg to-day with Masonic honors, he having been a member of Ingold Lodge of Masons.

Fishermen Swept Out to Sea.

Mr. Elijah Orrell and fishing crew of three negroes, Jim Hooper, Jim McLaurin and "Colonel" Campbell, had a trying experience with "wind and wave" off Masonboro inlet yesterday morning. They had been out for the usual morning haul and coming in their boat was upset and the crew drifted off shore clinging to the boat for three hours. Their cries attracted persons on shore, who rescued them more dead than live.

Mrs. Kirkland and Mr. Lake to Marry.

Fayetteville *Observer* 11th: The announcement is made of the approaching marriage of Mrs. M. B. Kirkland, of Lake Waccamaw and Fayetteville, and Mr. George W. Lake, formerly of this city, now of Florence, S. C. The marriage will take place in this city the latter part of this month.

Meeting of Magistrates.

The Board of Magistrates of the county will meet to day at noon in the Court House for the purpose of authorizing a loan by the Commissioners of $3 600 for assisting in furnishing the James Walker Memorial Hospital. A full attendance is desired.

SEQUEL TO THE MULE STORY

Animal Without a Claimant at Davis' Stables Returned to Owner and Road Cart Likewise Returned.

Yesterday the STAR mentioned locally the circumstance and also printed an advertisement from Mr. J. C. Blackley in reference to a mule which was left with him at Davis' stables on Monday morning.

The owner of the mule and the sudden and mysterious disappearance of the man, who offered the animal for sale, were unexplained until the arrival in the city yesterday of Mr. A. W. Stallings of Wallace, who identified the property as his own and the man who brought the mule to town and suddenly disappeared. Mr. Stallings said early Sunday morning the foreman on his place loaned the mule and a road cart to a young white man, John Foy, who lives near New River, in Onslow county. He said he wanted it for only a short while to drive around in the neighborhood. Once gone the young fellow never returned and was next heard of in Wilmington, where he sold the cart and harness for $6 00 to Mr. Wilson, who keeps a cart house in "Brooklyn." The mule was brought down to Mills' stable and offered for sale at a ridiculously low price and Mr. Mills refused to buy. Next it was taken to Davis' stables on Market street and offered to Mr. Blackley at $150. Subsequently the price was reduced to $50 and a trade made, the man giving his name as Fisher and saying his friend Mr. Howell Horne would wait at the stables and get the money. Mr. Blackley was suspicious of the price, and inquiry of Mr. Horne developed the fact that Fisher was a stranger to him, whereupon the purchaser refused payment, advertised the circumstances in the newspapers and put the police on the track of Fisher, who, learning of Mr. Blackley's hesitancy in paying the money, skipped out.

Mr. Stallings has recovered all the property and will return home to-day. Meantime, "Fisher" is at large and his whereabouts unknown.

ROBBED SMALLPOX HOSPITAL

Stove and Cooking Utensils Stolen Tuesday Night—Arrest of the Depredators and Recovery of the Property.

Some time during Tuesday night the kitchen of the city's extensive smallpox hospital near the County Home, a few miles from town, was broken into and a stove, with a number of other cooking utensils, stolen. There have been no patients in the hospital for several months and the premises were in charge of Mr. T. A. Watson, the well known county contractor, who lives near. Mr. Watson discovered the robbery early yesterday morning and immediately reported it to the authorities in Wilmington.

Chief Quarantine Officer Robert Green and Constable Wm. Sheehan set about to recover the property and effect the arrest, if possible, of the depredators. With the assistance of Mr. Watson, the two officers soon had the robbery solved, the goods recovered and two colored men, James Armstrong and John Spicer, in jail charged with the theft.

The officers first visited the hospital and tracked the mircreants to the road leading to the city. Evidence of the use of a dray to remove the property was discovered and the first work was in the discovery of the drayman who did the work. This being accomplished and by the supposition of Capt. Green beforehand that no one would enter the place except with an acquaintance and familiarity of the surroundings, the easy arrest of Armstrong, a former inmate, and John Spicer, an accomplice, followed. The stove was recovered from the house of the former on Campbell between Fifth and Sixth street and Spicer made a confession. The preliminary trial of the negroes will be by Justice Fowler to-day.

Bad Accident Near Fayetteville.

Fayetteville Observer, 11th: "Mr. A. K McDiarmid, father of our townsman, Mr. James C. McDiarmid, met with a terrible accident at the saw mill of W. J. McDiarmid & Co., in 71st, about eleven miles from Fayetteville, yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock. The belt of the driving wheel of the mill broke and struck Mr. McDiarmid, cutting a terrible gash in his throat from ear to ear, leaving the jugular vein and windpipe exposed. Mr. McDiarmid was brought to the Marsh Highsmith Sanitarium this afternoon. He is severely injured, but the chances for his recovery are good.

Masons Elected Officers.

St. John's Lodge, No. 1, A. F. & A. M., at its annual meeting Wednesday night elected officers for the ensuing term as follows: Dr. J. E Matthews, Worshipful Master; Mr. E. S. Martin, Senior Warden; Mr. W. E. Springer, Junior Warden; Mr. B. H. Scott, Treasurer; Mr. E. D. Sloan, secretary and Mr. E. S. Martin, member of the Building Committee. These with other officers will be installed on St. John's Day.

St. John's Vestrymen.

Vestrymen of St. John's Episcopal parish were elected at a meeting Wednesday night as follows: Messrs. Gabriel Holmes, H. G. Smallbones, T. Wright Meares, R. Lee Holmes, Geo. S. LeGrand, Washington Catlett, Bertram Quelch and J. Hicks Bunting. A meeting for organization will be held soon.

We will deliver all photographs taken this week before Christmas unless the weather is very bad next week. Taylor's Studio.

BUSINESS MATTERS.

Directors Decide to Upbuild Usefulness of the Merchants' Association.

THE MEETING YESTERDAY.

Vacancy On the Board Filled—A Pull for New Members—Committee to Assist in Securing Additional Train Service.

The first meeting for the new fiscal year of the Board of Directors of the Merchants' Association yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, in the S. A. L. building, was one of brightest augury for the organization for the ensuing twelve months.

Mr. W. E. Springer, the newly elected president, was in the chair, Mr. P. Heinsberger at his accustomed place as secretary, and members in attendance being Messrs. W. E. Worth, Chas. M. Whitlock, Wm. Nicstlie, J. M. Solky and Sol Bear.

The good of the Association was the object of much enthusiastic discussion on the part of members present and at the conclusion, a motion by Mr. J. M. Solky prevailed to the effect that the president appoint a committee to devise plans for interesting merchants in the work of the Association with a view to increasing its membership and usefulness to all concerned. The president appointed on the committee Messrs. J. M. Solky, W. E. Worth and Wm. Niestlie.

A communication from Mr. M. W. Divine was received, in which he declined to serve as a Director, to which he was elected at the recent annual meeting. Mr. A. O. Schuster, of the firm of Victor Zoeller & Co., was elected in his stead.

At the meeting of the joint committee from the Produce Exchange, Chamber of Commerce and Wholesale Grocers' Association, the president of the Merchants' Association appointed Messrs. George R French and W. E. Worth to confer with them in their efforts to secure a double daily passenger and mail service on the Seaboard Air Line railroad, the movement for which has several times been noted in these columns. Every commercial body in the city, with the possible exception of the Tariff Association, has now appointed members on the joint committee to this end and a meeting of the committee will likely be held in a few days to determine upon a "plan of attack," so to speak. Members of the committee express themselves as confident that the Seaboard people will accede to their request when the matter is properly presented to them.

After transacting much other business of a private character yesterday, the Association adjourned, subject to call of the president.

CAROLINA ATHLETIC CLUB.

Series of Contests to be Given During the Winter—The Teams.

The Carolina Athletic Club has reorganized for the Winter season and has just rented splendid apartments on Front street over Zoeller's jewelry store. A series of athletic contests has been arranged between picked teams, the first being a tug of war in its hall on Friday night, December 13th. The following will be the competitive sides:

Whites—George Parsley (captain), Charlie Duffy, Paul Cantwell, Ashley Bowden, Clarence Mills, John Sprunt, James Gause, Chauncey Southerland, Louis Brown McKoy, Norwood Huske, Louis Hatch, Horace Emerson, Jr., Edwin Moore, Tom Meares, Norwood Orrell and Willie Peck.

Reds—Willie Peschau (captain), Tom Gause, Haywood Faison, Willie Emerson, Henry Satchwell, Zack Bell, Clarence Myers, Harry West, Ernest Peschau, Tom Shepard, Marion James, Willie Grant, Harry Smallbones, Joseph Armstrong, Richard Meares and C. Pierce.

Fisheries Down the River.

The Atlantic Fisheries Company has closed its rendering plant down the river until March 1st, the season for menhaden having about ended. Workmen have now begun to improve and enlarge the plant for next season. A dry house for the treatment of fish is being built to take the place of the acid process, which is not so desirable The Cape Fear Fisheries is also going ahead with its work of building, about 75 hands being employed.

Is It a Fake?

The STAR has heretofore printed two or three advertisements in which $10.00 to $30 00 per month was offered ladies to do writing at home. Having now satisfied ourselves that there is a fake hidden somewhere in these offers, and that the ladies who sign the advertisements have been imposed on by those who employ them, we are declining to print any more and are returning them, with the money, to the writers.

Murphy Manager Disappeared.

Parties from Wilson were in the city yesterday on the look-out for E. L Powell, manager for Murphy & Co., in that city, who left the office Tuesday night and has not been seen since. It is reported that his accounts are considerably short and that a representative of Murphy & Co., is in Wilson checking up his accounts.

Johnson Dry Goods Store.

It is learned that Messrs. J. H. Rehder & Co. were the highest bidders for the stock of the Johnson Dry Goods Company at receiver's sale Tuesday. The price it is understood, was $3,200, subject to confirmation of the court.

OPERA HOUSE OFFERINGS.

"Uncle John Spruceby" Saturday Matinee and Night—Belle of New York.

"Uncle Josh Spruceby"—This comedy said to be the best of the many rural plays now being presented in the different cities will be seen at the Opera House Saturday matinee and night. This production is said to be different from all others, as it contains much comedy as well as pathos, and the realistic saw mill scene is said to be the most exciting and intense effect ever produced in an attraction at the price. The scenes of the play are laid in Vermont and New York, which gives ample opportunity for portraying the simple rustic characters in country as well as the many incidents that befall simple country folk who visit the metropolis. Specialties are introduced and a superb orchestra is one of the features. Prices 25, 35 and 50 cents. Matinee prices, 10 and 25 cents. Seats on sale to-morrow morning at Gerken's.

Probably the largest and most expensive theatrical organization to visit the South this season is that gorgeous casino gayety, "The Belle of New York." The company comes to Wilmington in a new dress, the costumes, scenery, etc., having been entirely rebuilt on its return from London last spring, while the principals and complete original cast remain. Local theatre-goers will welcome the announcement that an orchestra of eight pieces will be present to accompany "The Belle" and her many bridesmaids when they appear at the Opera House next Monday night. Seat sale begins to-morrow morning at Gerken's.

THE COAST LINE'S TRIBUTE.

General Passenger Agent Emerson Has Issued a Special Exposition Folder.

[*Charleston News and Courier.*]

Mr. H. M. Emerson, general passenger agent of the Atlantic Coast Line, has issued a handsome folder advertising Charleston and the Exposition. For more then a year Mr. Emerson has been reminding the public of the big things being planned in Charleston and lately many unique and interesting booklets have been issued by this railroad. Along with the story of how Charleston fared in two wars the passenger department of the Coast Line has sent out a circular letter calling attention to the Exposition and mentioning the fine passenger service between Charleston, Florida and the East. In his circular Mr. Emerson says:

"I would invite careful attention to the enclosed folder giving the scope of the Exposition, grounds, buildings, exhibits, etc., also the short sketch of Charleston, "How it Fared in Two Wars and an Earthquake," copy of which I take pleasure in handing you herewith.

"The Exposition will be worthy of the largest patronage and one can hardly find a city offering more to interest than Charleston, whether considered historically, socially or physically. We will very much appreciate your assistance in advertising Charleston and the Exposition.

"Of course you are aware that the Atlantic Coast Line is the shortest and quickest route between the East and Charleston and the only line operating through trains, with Pullman, sleeping and dining cars, and is the route of the celebrated Florida trains, New York and Florida special and Florida and West Indian limited.

"All Florida excursion tickets reading "Via Atlantic Coast Line" allow stop-off at Charleston within final limit."

Death at Canetuck, N. C.

R. C. Pridgen, of Canetuck, brought the sad news yesterday of the death of Mrs. Susan Bordeaux Tuesday at 5:30 o'clock P. M. of heart trouble. She leaves four children, two of the four residing at Canetuck, Pender county. She was a member of the Baptist church. Her husband has been dead several years. Deceased was 61 years of age.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Schooner *Willie L. Maxwell* cleared yesterday with lumber for Port-au-Spain, Trinidad.

— Dr. Blackwell will teach the lesson at the meeting of the Primary and Junior Sunday School Union this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Y. M. C. A.

— An informal reception will be given Friday night, from 8 to 11 o'clock, in the parlors of the First Presbyterian church, complimentary to members of the congregation.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FRESH ORANGES.

8,500 Fine Oranges.
9,640 C. C. Nuts.
41 Barrels Apples.
4,640 Pounds Raisins.
110 Boxes Firecrackers.
110 Pails Fancy Candy.
18 Tubs G. E. Butter.
58 Boxes Mixed Nuts.

W. B. COOPER,
Wholesale Grocer,
308, 310, 312 Nutt street, Wilmington, N. C.
dec 12 tf

Special Sale
OF HOME-MADE
Candies
SATURDAY,
15 cents lb.
Made While You Wait.
E. WARREN & SON.
dec 12 1y

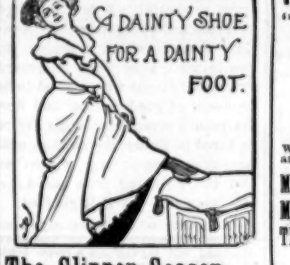
NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Esquimaux

Don't have much use for stoves. A fire in the middle of a snow hut, with an infinitesimal hole for a chimney, is good enough for them. But such an arrangement wouldn't be considered "just the thing" in this latitude. Here people need stoves and we keep them for sale—Parlor Stoves, Kitchen Stoves, Small Bedroom Stoves, and many odd sorts. The prices are adapted to persons with non-millionairish purses, too.

We have, too, a complete stock of Hardware, Agricultural Implements, Ammunition, &c.

J. W. Wurchison & Co.,
ORTON BUILDING.
dec 5 tf



The Slipper Season.

This is the season for slippers—they are the best gifts for a lady. They are just right for dances and give comfort to the evenings at home, and make you happy every time they are used. If you want a gift for a friend remember the value of slippers, and get them from

SOLOMON'S SHOE STORE.
Dec 8 tf

FOR CHRISTMAS!
WE HAVE
CANDY, CAKES, NUTS,
Raisins, Apples,
Oranges, Cocoanuts.
Also a full line of Canned Goods in connection with our regular stock of heavy groceries.
Write to us for prices.
Williams Bros.
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BANANAS
15c Per Dozen.
Florida Oranges
35 and 40c Per Dozen.
Pineapples, Grapes,
Pears, Apples.
FRESH MADE CANDY 15c per pound.
J. W. PLUMMER, Jr.,
Bell 'Phone 680. 204 Princess Street. Inter-State 122.
dec 7 tf

A Cut Down
On Ladies' and Gents' Solid, Gold-Filled and Silver Watches,
Fancy Clocks, Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, Diamond, Ruby and other Set Rings, Brooch Pins, fine Cut Glass and a general assortment of goods handled in the Jewelery line to select a Present from at reduced prices at
J. T. BURKE'S,
The Jeweller,
27 South Front St.
dec 11 tf

SAY! STOP!
AND LOOK IN THE WINDOW OF THE
A. M. SUSMAN FURNITURE CO.
AND SEE HOW THE
BRASS BED IS REDUCED.
Also look over our fine line of Furniture and see how cheap a good quality of goods can be sold. We have given others bargains and if you give us a call we are sure you will be satisfied with our prices. Very respectfully,
A. M. Susman Furniture Co.,
110 and 112 Market Street,
nov 20 tf Wilmington, N. C.

Opera House
Matinee and Night, Saturday, December 14th.
UNCLE JOSH SPRUCEBY.
10 People. "Hayseed" Band.
Grand Operatic Orchestra! Carload Special Scenery! Novel Mechanical Effects!
The Great Saw-Mill Scene.
All new specialties
Watch for the Big Parade
Note the Prices—75, 35 and 50 cents.
Matinee—10 and 25 cents. dec 12 2t

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

We Think the Douglas SHOES
For Men, Boys and Youths the BEST ON EARTH for the money. We think the same of the
Cincinnati Duttenhofer Shoes
For Ladies and Misses from $2.00 up. We have a few pairs of the $1.50 goods left yet and any one will do well to get them. We think exactly the same as above of our
Cincinnati Hogan Shoes
For Ladies, Misses and Children in cheaper grades. We are paying especial attention to these lines—having the sole agency here
We have many other grades and lines for all classes, kinds and conditions, as cheap as the cheapest and as good as the best.
Great Bargains in Department Goods Yet—Up Stairs Floors.
We earnest y solicit your patronage.
Respectfully,
Mercer & Evans Co.
P. S.—Large stock of Rubber Boots and Shoes just in. nov 26 tf

We Sell
Flour, Flour, Flour.
"Silver Coin,"
"Always Reliable,"
"Stocks Best,"
"Puritan."
Buy these brands and your trade will increase. We are recognized as selling high grade Goods and low cost living prices. Buy of us.
MIXED CORN in Even Weight Sacks.
MIXED OATS in Even Weight Sacks
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We have consignments of
MULLETS
We sell cheap and solicit your trade.
Vollers & Hashagen,
PROVISION DEALERS.
nov 24 tf

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Bagging and Ties,
New Mullets,
FIRST PAT. FLOUR,
2ND PAT. FLOUR,
STRAIGHT FLOUR,
SUGAR, COFFEE, RICE,
MEAL, GRITS, MOLASSES
WHEAT BRAN,
CANNED GOODS, SOAP,
LYE, STARCH, SALT, &c.
Send me your orders.
Special attention given to consignments.
S. P. McNAIR.
nov 28 tf

Wanted, Furs
5,000 Raccoon Skins.
5,000 Fox Skins.
5,000 Opossum Skins.
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And Furs of all description Highest prices paid. Quotations furnished on application.
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40 Boxes Nice Florida Oranges.
25 Bags C. C. Nuts.
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50 Boxes Evaporated Apples and Peaches
100 Boxes Split Silk Candy, assorted Flavors.
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25 Baskets Nice Broken Candy.
Also a few B. P. Oats left and 75 car loads of other goods. Up-to-date buyers always get our prices before purchasing.
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New Goods.
Malaga Grapes, Cocoanuts, Cream of Wheat, Oranges.
Great Big Fish Roe Cheap.
Preserved Ginger, Loose Buckwheat, Prepared Buckwheat, Fresh Saratoga Chips, Fancy Red Cranberries, cleaned Currents and Raisins.
Fine Glace Citron.
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Mixed Nuts, Raisins, Apples, Sugar, Coffee, Flour, Meal and Molasses.
Also a full line of case goods. Prices right. Treatment fair.
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Vaughn's Improved Early Ohio
Seed Potatoes
just received in prime condition. Other varieties to arrive. Let us book your orders at once as the demand will doubtless be large.
Provisions and Groceries
in great variety. Get our prices.
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TAX NOTICE.

The time for voluntary payment of City Taxes expired Nov. 1st. PAY NOW and save annoyance and expense of levy or garnishee.
B. F. KING,
dec 10 2t th City Tax Collector.

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 12.

COTTON CULTURE.

As cotton culture has been and is, it will continue to be for years to come, the principal agricultural industry in the cotton belt of the South. There are reasons why this has been so and reasons why it will continue to be so, whether the crop as a whole pay well or not. With a few exceptional years it has not paid well as a whole, and this will doubtless be the case until there is a revolution in the system and cotton ceases to be the main dependence of the cotton grower. It isn't an easy thing to quickly revolutionize the habits and customs of generations, or for a farming area of such extent as the cotton belt, varying as it does in soil and climatic conditions, to drop an almost universally cultivated crop and take to other crops. This is especially true when sticking to cotton has become to some extent a necessity with the average farmer in this area. Cotton is a crop that is always marketable, easily kept without danger of injury by the keeping, is a good collateral for borrowed money and is one of the few crops on which supplies can be secured and money advanced before the seed is put in the ground. These are some of the reasons for the large and increased acreage of cotton, and why so many farmers grow it who cannot afford to grow it, but grow it because they find it easier to grow than any other crop.

While it is and is to be the principal crop of the cotton belt, its cultivation ought to be governed by business sense and as little as possible left to chance, which is necessarily a large factor in the growing of this as it is in the growing of other crops, perhaps more so in this than in other crops, for it has to contend not only against fickle seasons, storms, ravaging insects, &c., but against the market manipulators and price makers after the crop is gathered and ready for the market.

There are men who make money growing cotton, and make a good deal, as there are men who make money in almost everything they undertake. But these are men who have business methods and are masters of themselves and of their crops. But the average cotton planter does not make money out of the crop when that is his main dependence, as it is of too many. Some idea of how little the crop pays as a whole may be gathered from the following statement by the U. S. Department of Agriculture showing the yield of lint per acre for the respective cotton growing States and Territories:

Virginia	176
North Carolina	142
South Carolina	141
Georgia	167
Florida	117
Alabama	156
Mississippi	205
Louisiana	260
Texas	159
Arkansas	173
Tennessee	136
Missouri	196
Oklahoma	196
Indian Territory	214

There is an object lesson in these figures that the average cotton planter might study with profit. Let us take north Carolina, for instance. The yield estimated for this State is 142 pounds per acre. Sold at eight cents a pound (and that's more than it's likely to bring) it would give the grower $11.36 from which deduct cost of picking, ginning, bagging, ties and marketing, which would be partially offset by the value of seed he might dispose of. But out of this $11.36 an acre he has to pay the debts contracted to make the crop. Estimating the cost of production at five cents a pound, (which is rather under than over the mark for this State) the grower has left $4.26 for his labor, time, investment and wear and tear of farm implements, stock, &c. There isn't a crop that the North Carolina farmer could raise that wouldn't pay better than that.

There are some States that do not make as good a showing as North Carolina, some that do not make a much better showing, and only a few that make any better showing, none of them a showing calculated to make them enthusiastic over this industry. Yet in the aggregate it is a great and mighty factor in the commercial life and prosperity of this country, one which enriches others and out of which the grower ought to reap more profit than he does.

Can he reap more profit? That is the problem for him and for others whose prosperity is directly or indirectly dependent upon his, to consider. He can, but to do it there must be a change of methods, and whether the acreage of cotton be smaller or larger than it is now the planter must put himself in a position that he can control his crop and not let it control him. He can never do that while cotton is the crop upon which he must rely, upon which he must depend to meet his obligations, to pay the running expenses of his farm and support his family. If he have nothing else to fall back on he will always be on the ragged edge, always at the mercy of some one else, and always the slave of circumstances. He will live and die poor, and dying can look back only to a life of unrequited toil, and feel that he leaves a family poorly provided for, after all his hard and patient labor.

There are exceptions, farmers who, as we have stated, have made money growing cotton, but these were farmers who raised something besides cotton, made the farm self-supporting and thus did not become dependent upon the merchant to advance supplies, nor upon the money lender for money to pay current expenses. The cotton they grew they controlled, sold if it suited them to sell and held if they they thought that was the better thing to do. They were their own masters, and were not compelled to sacrifice the proceeds of their labor which was mortgaged so some one else. Cotton growing as an industry will never be profitable as a whole until it becomes a "money crop," in fact as it is in name and subordinate to other crops. It can do this without being materially reduced in proportions.

TO BORE FOR OIL.

In view of the fact that oil has within the past year or so been found in so many unexpected localities, and is found over such a wide area in this country, it is not surprising that attempts should be made to find it in North Carolina, and that some entertain the belief that some of these attempts may prove successful. A few days ago we made a clipping from the Newbern *Journal* about a project on foot to work some wells in Craven county by parties who seemed to be confident of good results, and now the report comes that wells are to be bored in Buncombe county, near Asheville, concerning which we clip the following from an Asheville special to the Raleigh *Post*:

"A number of Northern capitalists are here prospecting for oil and have obtained 'oil leaves' on a large tract of country almost adjoining the northern boundaries of the city. What reasons these prospectors have for believing that this is oil producing territory are not divulged by them, but they have convinced a number of the leading residents here of the sincerity of their intentions to test the country and that they have the capital and experience necessary to do so. The company desires to secure the agreements embodied in their leases with the owners of 3,000 or 5,000 acres of land in the locality selected by them.

Of this they have already secured leases or options on a considerable amount. W. T. Eidell, one of the prospectors, says that he and his associates are well enough satisfied with the oil prospects here to make the venture of testing the territory. The cost of the first well would be about $20,000. They estimated that it would be necessary to go down 3,500 to 3,800 feet, figuring from the depth of the oil and gas bearing sands in Tennessee. Before beginning operations they wish to secure agreements with the owners of about 5,000 acres of land on the one-eighth royalty basis, which was as generous an offer as had been made in other territory at the period of prospecting.

Men who are willing to put $20,000 or more in holes in the ground have considerable faith in their scheme. This is not the first time, however, that boring for oil in that section has been talked of, for several years ago, before oil was struck in the Beaumont field in Texas, or in any of the new fields, there was a movement in Asheville to organize a company for that purpose, but it fell through for some reason.

Whether oil be found in that section or not we have not the least doubt that it can and will be found in this State, where the prospective conditions are as favorable as they were in any section where oil has been struck. One of the principal obstacles in the way is the fact that North Carolina has principally a rock foundation, and boring, with possibly some few exceptions, will be expensive.

HE IS VERY TIRED.

The Republican papers of the North are coming into line in support of the scheme to reduce Southern representation in Congress and in the electoral college. The Philadelphia *Press* has been one of the strongest supporters of this scheme, and as its editor-in-chief is one of the cabinet, its editorial utterances are more than ordinarily interesting and significant as foreshadowing the views of the administration leaders and representatives. In noting the Moody resolution it says:

"There need be no opposition to the bill introduced by Congressman Fleming, of Georgia, asking for an investigation of the suffrage question in Massachusetts and whether that State is violating the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the Federal Constitution. If that State or any other State is so violating the Constitution it should be made to conform to it or pay the penalty. The bill may have been introduced in reprisal for Mr. Moody's bill calling for an investigation of the suffrage situation in the South, but that should not militate against it."

The opposition to investigating Southern suffrage on the ground that it may stir up bitterness in that section ought to have no consideration. Congressman Moody answered this objection when he said: "I am very tired of being told that we must never offend the South by touching any Southern question, that the South must be allowed to work out its own problems in its own way. I say these are our problems, too, since the membership of the House of Representatives and the Presidential vote in the Electoral College are so closely related thereto." This is the correct ground. No more puerile argument could be advanced than that the South must be treated like a spoiled child and that even when it is perpetrating a gross wrong nothing must be done lest it may get "mad."

"The question is a national one. As the situation now is every Northern voter is robbed of his rights in the government of the country by Southern white Democrats and the former are told they must not do anything about it for fear they may anger those who do the robbing. The vast majority of the voters in the North believe with Congressman Moody when he says: "I do not know why forty white men in Mississippi, even if they all vote, should have the same voting power as 100 men in Massachusetts." It is a correction of this wrong that public sentiment demands.

When the Republican leaders decide that anything is to the advantage of the party they show little scruple in advocating it, in whatever light it may put them as to consistency or honesty. There was not one of these clamorers for reducing Southern representation who didn't laud the conservatism and nationality of the late President McKinley, who never let an opportunity escape to draw the sections closer together, and resolutely set his face against any revival of sectional agitation. It was one of the things that he had congratulated himself most upon, and yet so soon after his death, before they have ceased to sing his praises, they rebuke him and hasten to do the very thing he deprecated, revive sectional agitation, and all for base political purposes, while hypocritically pretending that they are inspired by a desire and determination to do justice, not to the negro but to the Northern voters, whose votes don't count for as much as the votes of Southern white men. What rot.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

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BOOK NOTICES.

The North American Review for December presents a solid list of contents, all bearing upon topics of general interests, some of which are subjects of much discussion in this and in other countries, such as Anarchism, Cuba, the Currency, the Monroe Doctrine and others, which are ably discussed. Address North American Review, Franklin Square, New York.

The December number of *Gunton's Magazine* discusses the reciprocity agitation, the Cuban problem, employers and labor unions, the Ruskin colony, the big railroad combination, Li Hung Chang and China's future, with others, in all of which the thoughtful reader will find much to interest him. Published by the Gunton Company, Union Square, New York.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— If it turns out to be true that whiskey can be made from watermelons, the real negro question will arise when Mingo is confronted with the problem whether he shall eat his melon on the spot or wait for its conversion into whiskey.—*Louisville Courier-Journal, Dem.*

—— After expending $150,000 upon the investigation the navy department learns that the charges against Capt. Tilley, of Guam, were unfounded. It is very gratifying news, of course, that he is innocent but it ought not to have been necessary to send a fleet so establish the fact. A local trial justice should have cleared him or convicted him in half an hour.—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

—— The Washington correspondents are calling attention to the facts that the Panama canal lobby it greatly discouraged and that as a consequence the desks of a number of Senators and Representatives have been significantly bare of the handsome bouquets with which they were wont to be adorned. It is argued from this that the Nicaragua route for the isthmian canal will be the almost unanimous favorite.—*Chattanooga Times, Ind.*

— Bold Babcock, the Representative from Wisconsin who could see no sense in a $7.84 per ton duty on steel rails while American manufacturers are exporting them by steamship loads, has been neatly bottled up in the House Ways and Means Committee, together with his kicking anti-tariff colleague, McCall, of Massachusetts, by the simple device of cutting out a Democratic member and adding instead a solid, hidebound Protectionist of the palæozoic political period. Like the boy who kept on clubbing the woodchuck, the tariffites in the House propose to demonstrate to all recalcitrants that there's punishment after death.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

What's Your Face Worth?

Sometimes a fortune, but never, if you have a sallow complexion, a jaundiced look, moth patches and blotches on the skin—all signs of Liver trouble. But Dr. King's New Life Pills give clear skin, rosy cheeks and rich complexion. Only 25 cents, at R. R. BELLAMY's drug store. †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—Greenville *Reflector*: Mr. J. J. Carson, of Bethel township, tells us of the killing of a large black bear on Grindle creek, in about a mile of Bethel, Sunday morning. Several men were in the chase and they ran the bear about three quarters of a mile, when Bruin took refuge up a tree. It took ten shots to bring him down. The bear weighed 257 pounds.

— Asheville *Citizen*; Some further investigations recently made on the lands of Dr. J. K. Hardwick, the prominent and well known physician of Marshall, Madison county, indicate that the kaolin heretofore reported found there is of a very high grade and very valuable. These lands are located on Bear Creek, three miles west of the village. It is a matter worthy of note that on this same tract some merchantable stones, gems of beauty and value, have also been found. The doctor has set in a ring a garnet which he found on the premises and which, the lapidary who cut it stated, is of the value of $10.

— Kinston *Free Press*: A number of years ago the State Board of Agriculture was urging the farmers of this State to set out Pecan and other nut trees, especially recommending Pecans because of their peculiar adaptation to our soil and climate. To-day we were shown some of these home grown pecans, bought by a Kinston merchant from a Jones county farmer, and were very much surprised at the size and quality of these nuts. They far surpassed any variety ever seen in Kinston before from anywhere, and sell readily at 20 cents per pound. As one tree will bear several bushels of nuts one can readily see what a profit a grove of these trees would give to the average farmer without scarcely any labor or expense.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: I. Britt, the keeper of Robeson county's chaingang, was accidentally killed Monday afternoon, near Red Springs. Mr. Britt was standing with his back to the fire resting on his gun and the fire heated the gun, causing it to discharge. The shot took effect in the back and ranged upward. He lived four hours after the accident.

—— The People's Investment Company of Raleigh was incorporated Monday to do a general real estate business, execute mortgages on the same and establish and maintain manufacturing establishments of various kinds. The capital stock is to be $100,000 and well known colored citizens are incorporators in the enterprise.

Swimming.

"No man can ever hope to be a strong swimmer unless he cultivates the power of endurance in the water," says a professional. "It costs me no more exertion to swim for an hour than it does to walk for the same period of time.

"In swimming a man should time his stroke with his breathing. He should take but one stroke to each breath. In this way the muscles of the body work in conjunction with the lungs, and no energy is wasted. In salt water, which, of course, is more buoyant than fresh water, a man who has trained himself in this way should have no difficulty in keeping afloat, say he were shipwrecked, until sheer weakness from hunger and thirst would force him to succumb."—Philadelphia Record.

Daly's Impecunious Employee.

The late Augustin Daly had in his employment a man who always addressed him a note periodically asking for an advance of money. This note was invariably answered by a most abusive letter, in almost insulting terms and threatening instant discharge if the offense was ever repeated—and inclosing a check for the money!

At regular intervals of about three months the man invariably made the same request, with the same results, always, however, getting a check inclosed. And thus it continued until Mr. Daly's death.—New York Times.

Saves Two From Death.

"Our little daughter had an almost fatal attack of Whooping Cough and Bronchitis," writes Mrs. W. K. Haviland, of Armonk, N. Y., "but, when all other remedies failed, we saved her life with Dr. King's New Discovery. Our niece, who had Consumption in an advanced stage, also used this wonderful medicine and to day she is perfectly well." Desperate throat and lung diseases yield to Dr. King's New Discovery as to no other medicine on earth. Infallible for Coughs and Colds. 50 cents and $1 00 bottles guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Trial bottles free. †

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TWINKLINGS.

— Manager—You won't do. I want an unmarried woman for this part. Actress—Oh, that will be all right. I'll get a divorce.—*Chicago American.*

Buffer—Oh, those trashy new novels are all right. Biff—What do you mean? Buffer—Why they make the old novels taste so good.—*Detroit Free Press.*

— Sad, But True: Mrs. Benham—"Who invented the cornet?" Benham—"What difference does it make now? It's too late to make him suffer."—*Brooklyn Life.*

— He—"It is a pleasure to meet a woman who has a sense of humor." She—"But really, one doesn't need a sense of humor to laugh at the things you say."—*Life.*

— Caustic: Minnick—I sent some verses to that magazine, but I don't think the editor read them at all. Sinnick—Ah! they were accepted, were they?—*Philadelphia Press.*

— Mr. Lydecker—My last butler was too good a judge of whiskey. New Butler—Well, O'im not so particular. All whiskey is good whiskey to me, sir!—*Brooklyn Eagle.*

— She—What a sad face that man's got! — He—Yes; he's a professional humorist, and he never smiles. — She—What! Doesn't he ever read his own jokes?—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— Very Powerful—Mr. Binks—The paper says a big flour mill out West blew up yesterday. Mrs. Binks—La sakes; I s'pose it's where they make this new fangled self-raising flour."—*New York Weekly.*

— Mrs. De Mover—Good gracious! This is the noisiest neighborhood I ever got into. Just hear those children screech! Maid—They're your own children, mum. Mrs. De Mover—Are they? How the little darlings are enjoying themselves!—*Tit-Bits.*

— The Part of Wisdom—Broncho Bill—"Take a little advice stranger, and don't play poker with none o' th' boys 'round here." Tenderfoot—"I suppose I'd be sure to lose." Broncho Bill—"Well, you would if you was wise."—*Puck.*

—Hardened—"Why," said the good man, "do you not give up your worldliness, and seek rather to lay up treasures in heaven?" "Not much," replied the hard case, "I'd very probably never see them again."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— Recently a public school teacher wrote the sentence; "Them boys are sliding down hill," and requested some one in the school to correct and why. One bright youngster held up his hand and on being asked said: "Correction, 'Those boys are sliding down the hill.' Why, 'Because they can't slide up.'"—*Tit-Tits.*

Don't Drink During Meals.

Be careful to limit the amount of water and fluids which you take during meals, since large quantities of these, especially ice water, hinder digestion. Not more than one glass of water should be taken during each meal. In order to quench the thirst which is so apt to clamor for water at meals an eminent authority suggests taking a glass of hot water fifteen or thirty minutes before meals. This acts especially well in the morning, as it cleanses the stomach.—Ladies' Home Journal.

A good friend is one's nearest relation. One's greatest relation is not always a good friend.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT

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Article		
BAGGING—		
2 ℔ Jute	@	6¾
Standard	@	7¾
Burlaps	6 @	6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℘ ℔	12½ @	14
Sides ℘ ℔	9 @	10
Shoulders ℘ ℔	9 @	9½
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℘ ℔	9 @	9½
Shoulders ℘ ℔	— @	8¾
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	1 35 @	1 35
Second-hand machine	1 35 @	1 35
New New York, each	@	1 35
New City, each	@	1 35
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℘ M	6 50 @	7 00
Northern	9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℘ ℔	15 @	18
Northern	22 @	28
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	75 @	76
Virginia Meal	75 @	76
COTTON TIES—℘ bundle	1 25 @	1 30
CANDLES—℘ ℔—		
Sperm	18 @	25
Adamantine	8 @	11
COFFEE—℘ ℔—		
Laguyra	11 @	12½
Rio	7½ @	11
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℘ yard	@	5¾
Yarns, ℘ bunch of 5 ℔s	@	0
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, ℘ barrel	22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℘ half-bbl.	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℘ barrel	16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℘ half-bbl.	8 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℘ barrel	13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ℘ barrel	3 50 @	4 00
Mullets, ℘ pork barrel	@	7 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℘ keg	3 00 @	3 25
Dry Cod, ℘ ℔	6 @	10
" Extra	4 00 @	5 00
FLOUR—℘ ℔—		
Low grade	3 00 @	3 25
Choice	3 50 @	3 75
Straight	4 00 @	4 25
First Patent	4 50 @	4 75
GLUE—℘ ℔	8 @	10
GRAIN—℘ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bgs—White	78 @	85
Mixed Corn	76 @	84
Oats, from store (mixed)	@	55
Oats, Rust Proof	75 @	80
Cow Peas	85 @	90
HIDES—℘ ℔—		
Green salted	4 @	5
Dry flint	10 @	11
Dry salt	9 @	10
HAY ℘ 100 ℔s		
No 1 Timothy	1 00 @	1 05
Rice Straw	@	50
Eastern	@	1 00
Western	90 @	95
North River	@	1 00
N. C. Crop	75 @	80
HOOP IRON, ℘ ℔	@	3
CHEESE—℘ ℔—		
Northern Factory	12½ @	14
Dairy Cream	12 @	13½
Half cream	10 @	12½
LARD, ℘ ℔—		
Northern	9 7 @	12½
North Carolina	10 @	12½
LIME, ℘ barrel	1 10 @	1 25
PORK, ℘ barrel—		
City Mess	@	18 50
Rump	@	18 50
Prime	@	18 00
ROPE, ℘ ℔	11 @	22
SALT, ℘ sack, Alum	@	1 25
Liverpool	@	90
American	@	90
On 125 ℘ Sacks	50 @	60
SUGAR, ℘ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5½ @	5¾
Standard A	5 @	5¾
White Extra C	4¾ @	5
Extra C, Golden	4¾ @	4½
C Yellow	4 @	4½
LUMBER (city sawed) ℘ M ft—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00 @	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00 @	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00 @	15 00
MOLASSES, ℘ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogshead	@	32
Barbadoes, in barrels	@	33
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	29 @	31
Porto Rico, in barrels	29 @	33
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12 @	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14 @	15
Syrup, in barrels	17 @	27
NAILS, ℘ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 40 @	2 50
SOAP, ℘ ℔—Northern	3½ @	4
STAVES, ℘ M—W. O. barrel	6 00 @	14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@	10 00
TIMBER, ℘ M feet—Shipping	8 00 @	9 00
Common mill	4 00 @	5 00
Fair mill	5 00 @	6 50
Prime mill	6 50 @	7 50
Extra mill	8 00 @	8 50
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed		
℘ M 6x24 heart	6 25 @	7 00
" Sap	5 50 @	6 00
5x20 Heart	3 50 @	4 00
" Sap	2 50 @	3 00
WHISKEY, ℘ gallon Northern	1 00 @	2 10

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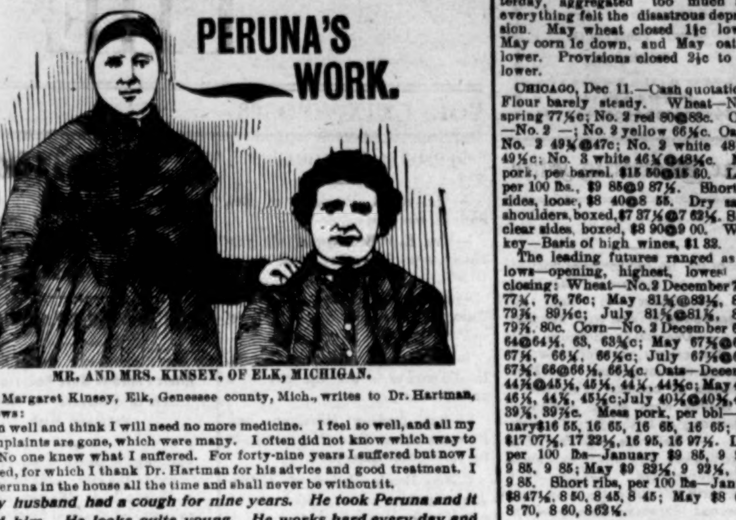

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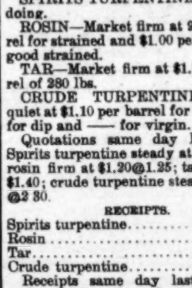

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, December 11.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at 95c per barrel for strained and $1.00 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.20 per barrel of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market quiet at $1.10 per barrel for hard, $2.00 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine steady at 37½@37c; rosin firm at $1.20@1.25; tar steady at $1.40; crude turpentine steady at $1.30@2 30.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	41
Rosin	186
Tar	374
Crude turpentine	63

Receipts same day last year—68 casks spirits turpentine, 641 barrels rosin, 602 barrels tar, 72 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 7¾c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5 5-16	cts ℘ ℔
Good ordinary	6 11-16	" "
Low middling	7 5-16	" "
Middling	7¾	" "
Good middling	8 3-16	" "

Same day last year, market firm at 9½c for middling.

Receipts—1,214 bales; same day last year, 1,926.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 55c; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c. Spanish, 55@60c.

CORN—Firm; 80@82½c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 15@16c per pound; shoulders, 13@14c; sides, 13@14c.

EGGS—Firm at 20@21c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 20@23c; springs, 10@20c.

TURKEYS—Dressed, firm at 10@12½c; live, 8@9c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50@60c per bushel.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Money on call was strong at 6@10 per cent., last loan 6 per cent., ruling rate — per day. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5 per cent. Sterling exchange weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486¼ for demand and at 483@483⅜ for sixty days. Posted rates were 484@485 and 488. Commercial bills 482½@483. Bar silver 54¾. Mexican dollars 43¼. Government bonds strong. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refunding 2's, registered, 108⅜; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 109; U. S. 3's, reg'd 108⅜; do. coupon, 108⅜; U. S. 4's, new reg'd, 139½; do. coupon 139½; U. S. 4's, old reg'd, 111½; do. coupon, 112⅜; U. S. 5's, do. reg'd, 107¼; coupon, 107¼; Southern Railway 5's 120. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 100⅛; Chesapeake & Ohio 45⅛; Manhattan L 134; N. Y. Central 164⅛; Reading 47⅛; do. 1st pref'd 78¾; do. 2nd pref'd 57⅛; St. Paul 159⅛; do. pref'd, 185; Southern R'way 32⅛; do. pref'd 90⅛; Amalgamated Copper 70⅜; Am'n Tobacco —; People's Gas 97⅛; Sugar 119⅞; Tennessee Coal and Iron 61⅛; U. S. Leather 11⅛; do. pref'd, 81⅛; Western Union 90⅜; U. S. Steel 40⅝; do. preferred 90⅛; Mexican National 13⅞; American Locomotive 30; do. preferred 87⅛; Standard Oil 692@695; Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co., 61; do. preferred, 121.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 11.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 26⅛@26⅜; do. preferred, 50@50¼; do 4s 85⅛@85⅜.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine barely steady at 37¾@38½c.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 11.—Spirits turpentine firm at 34c; sales — casks. Rosin firm and unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 11. Spirits turpentine firm at 35¾c; receipts 1,175 casks; sales 508 casks; exports 43 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 3,759 barrels; sales 1,018 barrels; exports 815 barrels

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—The cotton market opened steady with prices unchanged to four points higher and for a brief period responded readily to buying from abroad and Wall street, as well as the cable news which averaged much better than expected. Bull leaders, however, were slow to give the market their support, while the greater portion of the floor contingent sold on the theory that a sharp further decline in prices was due. Selling for longs and shorts for the rest of the first hour sent prices off sharply and before 11:30 o'clock January had dropped to 8.03 and May 8.09. Large port receipts and scarcity of investment orders added to the confidence of ring bears. Just before midday buying for a single account turned the course of the market and started shorts in full retreat. For the rest of the session buying was more or less active for both accounts with early sellers ill at ease. Predictions for a bullish set of cables from Liverpool to-morrow, with reports that Southern spot markets were stiffening up on urgent demand, added to the alarm of the bear element. There was a slight pause in the advance, but in the last hour the market climbed still higher on persistent buying for both accounts. Europe and the South picked up liberal amounts of late months and spinners bought January and March. The close was firm, with prices net eleven to fourteen points higher.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Cotton quiet at 8½c; net receipts 841 bales; gross 7,138 bales; stock 99,644 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 8½c; middling gulf 8¾c; sales 1,300 bales.

Cotton futures market closed quiet: December 8.28, January 8.19, February 8.20, March 8.23 April 8.23, May 8.24, June 8.21, July 8.21, August 8.10; September —.

Total to-day—Net receipts 47,832 bales; exports to Great Britain 34,696 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 2,013 bales; stock 864,762 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 205,654 bales; exports to Great Britain 77,726 bales; exports to France 16,658 bales; exports to the Continent 61,059 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 3,895,419 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,417,466 bales; exports to France 355,919 bales; exports to the Continent 1,105,806 bales.

December 17.—Galveston, steady at 8c. net receipts 21,448 bales; Norfolk, dull at 8c, net receipts 2,780 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 8¼c, net receipts 477 bales; Wilmington, firm at 7¾c, net receipts 1,214 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 8¾c, net receipts — bales; Savannah, quiet at 7 13-16c, net receipts 7,731 bales; New Orleans, firm at 8c, net receipts 18,612 bales; Mobile, quiet at 7⅞c, net receipts 1,443 bales; Memphis, steady at 7 15-16c, net receipts 2,049 bales; Augusta, steady at 8c, net receipts 1,977 bales; Charleston, firm at 7 13-16, net receipts 1,876 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Flour market was weak and 5@10c lower; closing quotations: winter patents $3 75@4 00; Minnesota patents $3 90. Wheat—spot weak; No. 2 red 86½c. Options after a firm opening on unexpectedly higher cables developed pronounced heaviness under active liquidation, partly for country account and including also foreign selling. Prices lost also 4c a bushel from the high point and closed weak at 1¼@1½c net decline. Sales included; March closed 86c; May closed 85½c; December 83½c. Corn—Spot weak; No. 2, 70⅝c. Options opened firm on cables and then, with wheat, sustained a severe break, attended by general unloading and reports of a continued free movement. Closed weak and 1@1½c net lower. May closed 70½c; December closed 70½c. Oats—spot easier; No. 2, 51c. Options were weak and lower, with corn. Pork easy. Lard was easy; Western steamed $10 25. Tallow firm. Coffee—Spot Rio dull; No. 7 invoice 6¾c; mild steady; Cordova 7¼@11c. Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining 3 9-32c; centrifugal 96 test, 3¾c; refined steady. Butter—Market firm; creamery 16@25½c; State dairy 15@15½c. Cheese steady; late made best large 9½c; late made best small 10@10½c. Rice steady. Eggs steady; State and Pennsylvania 26@27c; Southern at mark 20@25c. Potatoes steady; Jerseys $1 50@1 75; New York $1 50@2 12½; Long Island $2 00@2 25; Jersey sweets $2 00@3 75. Cabbage steady; Long Island Flat Dutch, per 100, $3 00@3 00. Peanuts steady; fancy hand-picked 4@4½c; other domestic 2¼@3½c. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton by steam 13. Cotton seed oil was fairly active at old quotations: Prime crude in barrels nominal; prime summer yellow 39½c; off summer yellow 38½c; prime white 41@42c; prime winter yellow 41@42c; prime meal $26 00.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Universal selling in grains to-day placed the control of the markets in the hands of the bears and practically routed the big bull campaign that has terrorized shorts for the past week. A faint effort was made at times to support prices, but the losses of to-day, with those of yesterday, aggregated too much and everything felt the disastrous depression. May wheat closed 1½c lower; May corn 1c down, and May oats 1c lower. Provisions closed 2½c to 25c lower.

CHICAGO, Dec 11.—Cash quotations: Flour barely steady. Wheat—No 3 spring 77½c; No. 2 red 80@83c. Corn—No. 2 —; No. 2 yellow 66½c. Oats—No. 2 49½@47c; No. 2 white 48½@49½c; No. 3 white 46¾@48½c. Mess pork, per barrel, $15 50@15 60. Lard, per 100 lbs., $9 85@9 87½. Short rib sides, loose, $8 40@8 55. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $7 37½@7 62½. Short clear sides, boxed, $8 90@9 00. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 32.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 December 77⅝, 77⅛, 76, 76c; May 81⅜@82⅛, 83⅛, 79⅜, 89½c; July 81⅝@81⅞, 81⅞, 79⅞, 80c. Corn—No. 2 December 63⅜, 64@64½, 63, 63⅜c; May 67⅜@67⅞, 67⅛, 66⅛, 66½c; July 67⅛@67⅞, 67⅜, 66@66⅛, 66⅛c. Oats—December 44⅜@45⅛, 45⅛, 44⅛, 44⅜c; May 46⅛, 46⅛, 44⅜, 45½c; July 40⅛@40⅜, 40⅜, 39⅜, 39⅜c. Mess pork, per bbl—January $16 55, 16 65, 16 65, 16 65; May $17 07½, 17 22½, 16 95, 16 97½. Lard, per 100 lbs—January $9 85, 9 37½, 9 85, 9 85; May $9 82½, 9 92½, 9 30, 9 85. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $8 47½, 8 50, 8 45, 8 45; May $8 62½, 8 70, 8 60, 8 62½.

FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 11, 4:30 P. M.—Cotton: Spot, fair demand; prices 1-32d lower; American middling fair 4 29-32d; good middling 4 11-32d; middling 4 9-16d; low middling 4 15-32d; good ordinary 4 11-32d; ordinary 4 3-32d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 8,600 bales American. Receipts 14,000 bales, including 13,100 bales American.

Futures opened easier and closed steady; American middling (g. o. c) December 4 30-64d buyer; December and January 4 28-64@4 29-64d buyer; January and February 4 27-64@4 28-64d buyer; February and March 4 27-64d seller; March and April 4 26-64@4 27-64d seller; April and May 4 26-64d buyer; May and June 4 26-64d buyer; June and July 4 25-64@4 26-64d buyer; July and August 4 25-64@4 26-64d seller; August and September 4 21-64@4 22-64d buyer.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Driver, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, T D Love.

CLEARED.

Steamer Driver, Bradshaw, Willis Creek, T D Love.

Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, James Madden.

Schr Willie L Maxwell, Bowden, Trinidad, George Harriss, Son & Co.

EXPORTS.

FOREIGN.

TRINIDAD—Schr Willie L Maxwell, 249,274 feet rough lumber and 39,293 feet dressed lumber; valued at $4 070; cargo by Kidder Lumber Co; vessel by George Harriss, Son & Co.

MARINE DIRECTORY

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., December 12, 1901.

STEAMSHIPS.

Jessmore, (Br) 1,548 tons, Taylor, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Spennymore, (Br) 1,749 tons, Nairn, Heide & Co.

SCHOONERS.

Mabel Darling, (Br) 112 tons, Roberts, J A Springer & Co.

Abbie G Cole, 232 tons, Cole, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Chas C Lister, 267 tons, Moore, George Harriss, Son & Co.

D J Sawyer, 267 tons, Kelly, George Harriss, Son & Co.

J Howell Leeds, 393 tons, Bateman, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BARQUES.

Hutitu, (Nor) 635 tons, Eilertsen, Heide & Co.

Albatross, (Nor) 491 tons, Rasmussen, Heide & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—453 bales cotton, 20 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad —139 bales cotton, 13 casks spirits turpentine, 142 barrels rosin, 94 barrels tar, 31 barrels crude turpentine.

C. C. Railroad—94 bales cotton.

A. & Y. Railroad—303 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 45 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—190 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 12 barrels rosin.

Steamer Driver—6 bales cotton, 62 barrels tar, 12 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer A. J. Johnson—20 casks spirits turpentine, 25 barrels rosin, 153 barrels tar, 20 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Compton—29 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 7 barrels rosin.

Total—1,214 bales cotton, 41 casks spirits turpentine, 186 barrels rosin, 374 barrels tar, 63 barrels crude turpentine.

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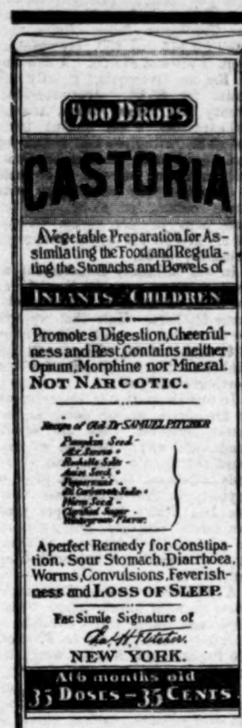

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MATTER AND FORCE.

ENERGY CANNOT BE CREATED NOR CAN IT BE DESTROYED.

If Puny Man Could Accomplish Either of These Impossible Things, He Could Cause "the Wreck of Matter and the Crash of Worlds."

If you could imagine an earthworm trying to run the Niagara Electric Lighting and Power Transmission works, you would have some faint idea of the capacity of the greatest human genius that ever lived to run the visible universe. That is probably why the wisest of us is not permitted to understand the final secrets of nature.

Here is a good example. Take a rifle into a place sufficiently far from the habitations of men; put the butt on the ground and support it so that the barrel points straight up and pull the trigger. The bullet will leave the muzzle with a velocity of, say, 3,000 feet a second. It will rise to an enormous height, come to a standstill for an infinitesimal fraction of a second and begin to fall back again. It will strike the earth with very nearly but not quite the same velocity as it left the muzzle of the gun. It would be exactly the same but for the resistance of the air.

What has happened is this: The explosion of the powder has changed a solid into a gas, and the expansive energy of this has driven the bullet upward. In other words, it has for the time overcome that mysterious force by which the earth draws everything toward its own center.

But when the energy of the exploded powder is exactly balanced by the pull of gravitation the bullet falls back. In the first second after its turn it falls 16 feet, in the next 32, in the next 64, in the next 128, and so on till it returns with ever increasing velocity whence it started.

Nothing has been lost, nothing gained. The gases set free by the explosion of the powder weigh exactly as much as the solid. Some of the energy has been used as heat, some in propelling the bullet. Gravitation, overcome for awhile, has reasserted itself. The sum of matter and force in the universe is absolutely unchanged.

This is as true of the quickened beat of a girl's heart when she meets her lover as it is of the march of the planets and suns through the fields of space. Every atom of matter, every unit of force, throughout the universe is constant, external and exactly balanced, and the whole strength and genius of humanity could not increase or diminish them by the slightest fraction.

Now, let us imagine what would happen if man could make that bullet strike the earth with greater or less force than it left the muzzle of the gun. He would either have increased or decreased the total of universal energy, and in either case he would have thrown first the solar system and then the whole universe out of gear.

The earth and all the other planets would begin to revolve in different orbits. The sun, with its family of worlds, would alter its path round the unknown center about which it revolves. Then world would be hurled against world and sun against sun, and stars and planets would be reduced to the flaming gases from which they cooled into solids and liquids before time began to be.

Just the same catastrophe would happen if man could either create or entirely destroy a grain of sand on the seashore. The balance of the universe, in which swing stars and planets, whose weight is inexpressible in human figures (this tiny world of ours weighs 6,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 tons), is infinitely more delicate than that which the chemist has to keep in an airtight case and at an even temperature lest a breath of air should throw it out of gear.

Thus the destruction or creation of a grain of sand would change the orbit of the earth round the sun. In the one case it would be drawn closer and closer to the sun, perhaps after thousands of revolutions to be swallowed up in fiery ruin. In the other case it would gradually leave the sun and year by year wander farther away into regions of space where human life would be impossible.

The result of the dislocation of such a stupendous system, which has worked with unfailing exactitude for countless ages, is, of course, utterly beyond the scope of human imagination, and yet such a seeming trifle as the creation or destruction of a single grain of sand might, and probably would, plunge it into utter chaos and ruin.—Pearson's.

CHEERED THE CENSOR.

How a Gallant Irish Regiment Took an After Battle Scolding.

The leading regiment of our column was the Fifty-third, commanded that day by Major Payn, afterward General Sir William Payn, K. C. B., a very fine regiment, who, being mostly Irishmen, were eager to meet their enemy. Meanwhile I received orders to cross the river by a ford and get round the enemy's right flank, and I had gone for this purpose and was crossing about a quarter of a mile lower down, when suddenly I heard loud cheering and a heavy musketry fire, and then I saw our troops gallantly advancing across the bridge to the assault.

It turned out to be the Fifty-third, who, tired of the delay under fire and, it was whispered, hearing that Sir Colin had sent for his pet highlanders to take the bridge, took their bits between their teeth and without any further orders determined to rush the bridge themselves, which they accordingly did, and with great success. The enemy, once forced out of their position, showed but a poor, desultory fight and, as at Cawnpur, fell an easy prey to the cavalry, who, having crossed, some by the bridge and others, including myself, by the ford, fell on them and pursued them with such success that we captured every gun they had.

The Fifty-third were well pleased with themselves and the result of the fight they had so suddenly initiated, but we heard that Sir Colin was greatly annoyed with them and after the action rated them soundly for their insubordination. But little did these wild Irishmen care. They had had their fight, and a real good one, so far as they were concerned, and as Sir Colin concluded his speech of rebuke they gave him three cheers, and giving three cheers more for General Mansfield, Sir Colin's chief of staff, who had formerly commanded their regiment, they quite upset the chief's equanimity, but at the same time cleared away his wrath.—"Old Memories."

How to Make Queen Mab Powder.

Take one ounce of the best rice powder, three ounces of the best powdered oxide of zinc, half an ounce of carbonated magnesia, 20 grains of powdered boracic acid and two drops of oil of roses. Mix by passing through a sieve again and again. Color a faint pink with carmine.

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A SALE OF WARTS.

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"This theory," said the traveling man, "that warts will go away when you stop thinking about them may have something in it, and I am inclined to have faith in it. I know from actual observation that warts can be transferred and will give you the case in point.

"I was buying a newspaper when I noticed that the hands of the newsboy were covered with warts. His stand was within a block of my house, but I am away so much the little fellow did not know me by name. I said to him:

"'You should get some one to charm away those warts,' that being the method of getting rid of them when I was a boy.

"'They ain't mine now,' he said. 'I sold them last week to Teddie Stearns, and they'll all go to him.'

"Now, Teddie Stearns is my own boy, and I did not like to think of his smooth, chubby hands being disfigured with warts, and we did not live in a wart atmosphere. They belong more exclusively to the barefoot boy with cheek of tan conditions. I had been such myself. When I went home, I called my boy to me and looked with some anxiety at his hands. They were as clean and white as a girl's.

"'What is it, papa?' he asked curiously.

"'I am looking for warts.'

"'Oh,' and he drew a long, delighted breath, 'there ain't any yet, but they're sure to come, for I bought them from "Carrotty Mike" for a pin. He says I'm sure to get 'em. Ain't you glad?'

"Glad! I could have cried, and I believe his mother did cry. But that blamed little cub said he wouldn't be a tenderfoot, and he would have warts. I read the riot act to him and went away for a month's trip, and when I came back he was as proud as Punch. His hands had grown a crop of warts that discounted anything I ever saw in that line. I hunted up 'Carrotty Mike,' and, would you believe it, there wasn't a wart on his hands! He had transferred them all to my boy."—Chicago Record-Herald.

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P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	....
....	4 32	Kinston	10 12	....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	8 37	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City	7 22	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

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DAILY 9.30 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.05 A. M., Warsaw 11.20 A. M., Goldsboro 12.02 P. M., Wilson 1.10 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.33 P. M., Petersburg 5.46 P. M., Richmond 6.45 P. M., Norfolk 5.51 P. M., Washington 11.41 P. M., Baltimore 1.03 A. M., Philadelphia 4.05 A. M., New York 7.11 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.30 P. M., Warsaw 8.40 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 9.31 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.33 P. M., Weldon 1.37 A. M., †Norfolk 1.00 P. M., Petersburg 3.18 A. M., Richmond 3.57 A. M., Washington 7.89 A. M., Baltimore 9.03 A. M., Philadelphia 11.15 A. M., New York 1.43 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.17 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY except Sunday 6.00 A. M. — No. 51—Due Lake Waccamaw 7.10 A. M., Chadbourn, 7.41 A. M., Marion 8.43 A. M., Florence 9.25 A. M., Lanes 11 26 A. M., Charleston 1 10 P. M.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.58 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M., Marion 6.40 P. M., Florence 7.25 P. M., Sumter 9 15 P. M., Columbia 10.40 P. M., Denmark 6.14 A. M., Augusta 8.10 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 11.15 P. M., Savannah 2.00 A. M., Jacksonville 8.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10 50 A. M., Tampa 10.00 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.10 A. M. — No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.42 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.58 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.30 P. M., New York *9.30 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 8.55 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.12 P. M., Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.46 P. M., Goldsboro 3.15 P. M., Warsaw 4.19 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY 9.25 A. M. — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.25 A. M., Philadelphia 12.01 P. M., Baltimore 2.16 P. M., Washington 3.45 P. M., Richmond 7.23 P. M., Petersburg 7.19 P. M., ‡Norfolk 4 00 P. M., Weldon 9.18 P. M., *Tarboro 7.02 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.15 A. M., leave Wilson 5.57 A. M., Goldsboro 6.45 A. M., Warsaw 7.39 A. M., Magnolia 7.53 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 61—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY except Sunday 11.30 P. M. — No. 50—Leave Charleston 4.20 P. M., Lanes 6.06 P. M., Florence 8.15 P. M., Marion 8.54 P. M., Chadbourn 9.53 P. M., Lake Waccamaw 10.21 P. M.

DAILY 1.40 P. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.40 A. M., Sanford 2.10 P. M., Jacksonville 8.30 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 5.45 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.25 P. M., Columbia 6.15 A. M., Sumter 8.29 P. M., Florence 10.10 A. M., Marion 10.53 A. M., Chadbourn 11.58 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.29 A. M.

EAST BOUND:

DAILY 7.15 P. M. — No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 3.05 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.20 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.30 P. M.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.10 A. M. Maxton 9.05 A. M., Red Springs 9.32 A. M., Parkton 10.05 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.43 P. M., Maxton 6.16 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.15 P. M., Halifax 3.20 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 4.10 P. M., Greenville 5.47 P. M., Kinston 6.45 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.30 A. M., Greenville 8.30 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.05 A. M., Weldon 11.20 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.00 A. M. and 2.45 P. M.; arrive Parmele 8.55 A. M. and 4.10 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 11.10 A. M. and 5.22 P. M.; arrives Washington 12 30 A. M. and 6.15 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 4.35 P. M.; Sunday, 4.35 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 6.35 P. M. and 6.30 P. M. Returning leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 30 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 9 55 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro daily except Sunday 5.00 A. M., arriving Smithfield 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7:00 A. M., arrives at Goldsboro 8:25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 4.00 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.20 A. M., 4.23 P. M., Spring Hope 11.05 A. M., 4.45 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 5.15 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M., 5.45 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M., 6.20 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6.45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.46 A. M., Dillon 10.58 A. M., Rowland 11.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.10 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.31 P. M., Latta 6.44 P. M., Pee Dee 7.06 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Chadbourn 12.01 P. M.; arrive Conway 2.20 P. M.; returning leave Conway 2.55 P. M. arrive Chadbourn 5.20 P. M., leave Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Elrod 8.10 A. M., returning leave Elrod 8.40 A. M., arrive Chadbourn 11.25 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 6.20 P. M., Manning 6.56 P. M.; arrive Lane's 7.40 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.20 A. M., Manning 9.00 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.42 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.40 A. M., †7.00 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 10 A. M., †8.20 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.30 A. M.; †4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.00 A. M.; †5.35 P. M.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 10.05 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.30 A. M., Hartsville 9.55 P. M., Cheraw 11.45 A. M., Wadesboro 12.50 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 8.00 P.M.; arrive Darlington 8.25 P. M., Bennettsville 9.22 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 10.05 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.30 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.05 A. M. Bennettsville 7.05 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.15 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.35 A. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.59 P. M., 11.10 P. M., arrive Selma 2.48 P. M., 11.59 P. M., Smithfield 3.03 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 1 10 A. M., Rowland 6.10 P. M., returning leave Rowland 11.15 A. M., Fayetteville 12.35 P. M., 10.07 P. M., Dunn 1.24 P. M., Smithfield 2.03 P. M., Selma 2.10 P. M., 11.25 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.57 P. M., 12.07 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.28 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.14 A. M. Returning leave Denmark 4.25 P. M., Creston 5.26 P. M., Sumter 6.19 P. M. Daily.

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THURSDAY MORNING. DEC. 12.

MISSING MISS CROPSEY.

Committee Still Prosecuting the Search No Further Developments.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., Dec. 11.—Notwithstanding that the committee of five which has been prosecuting the search for the missing Nellie Cropsey believe they will be able to clear up the mystery within a short time, Chief of Police Dawson is still without information. To day he said: "I still think the girl was either drowned or murdered, but I have no definite clue."

The party dragging the river under the direction of the committee of five yesterday brought up a piece of dress goods, which, it is thought, may have belonged to Miss Cropsey.

Father Accuses Wilcox.

The citizen's committee to-night again promise important developments in the Cropsey disappearance case within a short time—two or three days.

W. H. Cropsey, father of the missing girl, to-day issued a public letter in which, after thanking citizens of North Carolina for their kindness and sympathy, he says:

"The police officials and citizen's committee have done all human agency could do to restore my daughter, without success. I never expect to see her this side of the great Eternity.

"I shall always believe James Wilcox instrumental in my daughter's disappearance. If dead, I believe his hand or his hireling responsible. Sometime when this life shall cease and we shall stand before the presence of the great Judge, I believe we shall learn how and when he murdered my daughter and that the justice he may escape will be dealt with then."

(Signed) "W. H. CROPSEY."

THREE MEN KILLED.

Fatal Fight Between an Alleged Bunco Steerer and Two Police Officers at Houston, Texas.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HOUSTON, TEXAS, Dec. 11.—When Officers J. C. James and Herman Youngst attempted to arrest an alleged bunco steerer, Sid Preacher this afternoon, the latter opened fire with a shotgun. At the first fire he mortally wounded James, who fell. He then fired at Youngst, knocking him down, and was on top of him beating the officer when James raised himself from the gutter and fired three times, killing Preacher. James and Youngst died within the same moment. Preacher was well known to the police and had been arrested frequently. The police have been watching him closely during carnival week. With a shotgun he went to the police to-day and complained that they were interfering in his business. The police attempted to arrest him, when he opened fire on them. Several hundred people saw the duel.

A warrant was sworn out tonight for J. B. Brockman, Preacher's attorney, charging him with murder, and he has been landed in jail. It is charged by the police that the attorney advised Preacher to use a shotgun in case any attempt should be made to arrest him. Late in the afternoon a boy with two shotguns and a large number of buckshot cartridges, which he said he was carrying to Brockman's office, was arrested and the arms confiscated.

FIRE ON COTTON SHIPS.

Austrian Steamer at Newport News British Steamer at Norfolk Attached.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Dec. 11.—The Austrian steamer Gottfried Schencker from New Orleans for Trieste, put in here this afternoon for coal. At the capes it was discovered that her cargo of cotton was afire. Tugs are now at work on her, and a survey will occur to-morrow. It is probable that three to four hundred bales will have to be removed to reach the fire.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 11.—The fire in the cotton cargo of the steamer Hackney continues to burn. The hatches were replaced yesterday and re sealed.

Steamer Libelled.

NORFOLK, VA., Dec. 11.—Deputy Marshal West attached the British steamer Montenegro this morning as she was lying off Lambert's Point coaling. The libel under which she was attached was filed by Frank A. Pouppirt, of Galveston, late a passenger, claiming $50,000 damages for injuries received on board.

DIAMOND THIEVES.

Negro Man and Woman Charged With Stealing $15,000 Worth of Diamonds.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

OMAHA, NEB., Dec. 11.—Wm. H. Woods and a woman companion, giving the name of True Johnson, both colored, were arrested here to day, charged with having robbed Alfred B. Lowenthal, a travelling salesman for a New York jewellery firm, in a Portland, Ore., hotel of $15,000 worth of diamonds and jewellery. The jewellery was traced by a local pawnbroker, who had received a printed circular describing the stolen property, to Woods and his companion, and they were found in the eastern part of the city. When arrested there was found in their possession $3,000 worth of diamonds and jewellery, railroad transportation to Portland and a check for $200, which had been given by the pawnbroker in exchange for a diamond brooch.

Norfolk Peanut Market.

NORFOLK, Va., December 10.—Peanut market dull; fancy 2¾c; strictly prime 2¾c; prime 2@2¼c; Spanish —c; machine-picked —c. New peanuts, fancy 2¾c; strictly prime 2¼@2¾c; prime 2¼c; Spanish 60c

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MORGAN OPPOSES THE NEW TREATY.

Hay - Pauncefote Arrangement Discussed in Executive Session of the Senate.

CULLOM SUPPORTED MEASURE

Senator Bacon's Objections—Could Not Freely Accept Any Treaty Which Does Not Place Isthmian Canal Under American Control.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 11.—Two speeches on the Hay-Pauncefote treaty were made in the executive session of the Senate to-day, one by Senator Bacon, in opposition to the treaty, and the other by Senator Cullom, the prospective chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations, in support of it.

Mr. Bacon replied to the speech made yesterday by Senator Lodge, in presenting the report of the Committee on Foreign Relations to the Senate. He summed up his objections in the statement that he could not freely accept any treaty which does not place the isthmian canal entirely under American auspices and American control. This, he said, the pending treaty does not do, nor does it do anything like it. It did not by odds accomplish what had been accomplished by the Senate amendment to the Hay Pauncefote treaty that had been under consideration at the last session of Congress. That amendment had, he said, abrogated all the objectionable provisions of that treaty as negotiated, and it did not matter what provisions there were in the agreement so long as the United States were authorized as they were by the principal Davis amendment to secure the safety and maintenance of the canal by their own forces. That amendment had given this country a free hand to do what was necessary for the protection and defence of the canal, whereas the present treaty carries all the restrictions which were originally contained in the old treaty, leaving out the modifications of the Davis amendment. Referring to the treaty he pointed out that it reproduces the restrictions of the old Suez canal treaty which had been incorporated in the original convention. He charged that these restrictions had been copied almost verbatim from the old treaty, the only material change being in the omission of the words "in time of war as in time of peace," from rule one of the Suez canal agreement. This omission did not, however, in his opinion, change the character of the agreement, as there was no limitation, as to time or country, preventing the United States from controlling the canal in case of hostility with any other power. "The only reply," he said, "which the advocates of the treaty make to criticisms, is that the canal would be under the full control of the United States in time of war, but this is no more true now than under the old treaty, and it is a strange thing that all the provisions refer to the control of the canal in war, notwithstanding it is contended here that in that contingency the removal of this phrase places the canal under our absolute control."

He said the war restrictions of the treaty were entirely inconsistent with the claims of Senator Lodge, that this country should say who should use the canal and who should not in case of hostilities. He contended that the only power given to the United States which was not given to Great Britain was found in the last sentence of regulation two, providing that "the United States shall be at liberty to maintain such military police along the canal as may be necessary to protect it against lawlessness and disorder." "But this," he said, "was not sufficient to make the canal an American institution, and if the Davis amendment had been necessary to render the original treaty acceptable, it was equally necessary in this instance." He considered the pending treaty every whit as objectionable as the treaty of last session. He quoted the fourth article of the treaty as follows:

"It is agreed that no change of territorial sovereignty or of international relations of the country or countries traversed by the before mentioned canal shall affect the general principle of neutralization or the obligation of the high contracting parties under the present treaty."

The effect of this provision, he said, was inevitably to surrender control of the canal belt in case the ownership of the land embraced in it should pass to the United States. He pointed out that this restriction had not been incorporated in the first treaty, and said it was entirely out of place in the re-agreement. Indeed, he thought there would be almost as much objection to guaranteeing neutrality on land owned by the United States on the Isthmus of Panama as on land held by a canal crossing the peninsula of Florida.

In conclusion, Senator Bacon announced that while he had no intention of voting for the treaty he would do nothing to obstruct its ratification.

Senator Cullom congratulated the Senate and the country upon the fact that there are two things in connection with the new treaty upon which, he said, practically all are agreed. One of these was the desirability of the supercession of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty and the other that of the necessity for the construction of an isthmian canal.

He contended that the new treaty radically changed the conditions presented by the first Hay-Pauncefote treaty, clearly relieving it of the necessity of such an amendment as that made to the old treaty upon the suggestion of Senator Davis, because the treaty itself would permit the United States, under international law to own, manage and defend the canal in any way that it may choose. In other words, he added, in a war with Great Britain or with any other power, the treaty would be suspended, under the law which governs nations, until the war should be concluded, when it would be revived and again enforced.

MRS. BONINE'S TRIAL.

Arguments of Counsel—Case May Go to the Jury This Afternoon.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 11.—The final arguments of counsel were begun this afternoon in the trial of Mrs. Lola Ida Bonine, charged with the killing of Census Clerk Ayres. Assistant District Attorney Taggart opened for the government. The entire morning session was devoted to submission of the prayers for the government and the defence.

C. M. Fulton, of counsel for the defence, followed Assistant District Attorney Taggart. The arguments probably will be finished to-morrow and the case may go to the jury late in the afternoon.

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SOUTHERN REPUBLICANS IN THE CONGRESS.

A Conference Held—In Reference to Crumpacker's Bill to Reduce Representation in the South.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—A conference of Southern Republicans in Congress was held here to-night at which were present Senator McComas, of Maryland, and Pritchard, of North Carolina, and members of the House from West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, Missouri and Maryland. The chief feature discussed related to the apportionment of representation from the South, with particular reference to Mr. Crumpacker's bill which seeks to reduce the South's representation on the ground that the negro is deprived of his vote. The discussion was entirely informal in character and no action was taken by the conference. The talk showed that the members were not entirely in accord on the question of their attitude with respect to the bill. Senator Pritchard declared his positive opposition to it. Another meeting will be held next Wednesday night, at which it is expected some agreement will be reached as to what course the Republicans from the South will adopt on the measure when it comes up in the Republican caucus. The Southern Republicans hope soon to perfect an organization for the protection of their interests in that section coming before Congress.

THE PHILIPPINE TARIFF BILL

Will be Considered in House Next Tuesday. Democrats Will Make Minority Report Opposing the Measure.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—At a meeting of the Ways and Means Committee to-day Chairman Payne was directed to favorably report to the House the Philippine tariff bill which the Republican members of the committee agreed upon yesterday. The report will be made Friday and the bill will be considered in the House next Tuesday, with a vote at 4 P. M. on Wednesday, instead of on Tuesday, as at first planned.

Some surprise was occasioned at the failure of the minority of the committee to ask for a division and vote on the question of reporting the bill. In the absence of such request no vote was recorded.

Numerous conferences of Democratic members were held prior to the meeting of the Ways and Means Committee to day, because of the question which had arisen as to the united opposition to the Philippine bill drafted by the Republican members. It developed in this connection that the four Louisiana members now in the city—Messrs. Robertson, Meyer, Ransdell and Davey—were favorable to the bill, and that the two Louisiana members out of the city—Messrs. Broussard and Breazeale—probably would favor it. Among their associates the Louisiana members made no concealment of the fact that the sugar industry of their State required the measure of protection against Philippine sugar which the majority bill gave by applying the Dingley rates. Under these circumstances the minority members reached no decision as to opposing the bill and, although there will be a minority report opposing the measure on general grounds, the Louisiana members will hold themselves individually free to vote for the bill.

SHOT BY AN ANARCHIST.

An Editorial Writer On a New York Newspaper in a Critical Condition in Bellevue Hospital

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Francis Iveagh, editorial writer on an afternoon paper, who was shot early this morning by Alexander Horr, a book-binder and printer, is in Bellevue Hospital in a critical condition. The wounded man made a statement to the coroner and Horr was taken to the hospital to be identified by Iveagh. According to the police Iveagh said to Horr: "You are the man who shot me. You are an anarchist and a publisher of anarchistic literature."

Iveagh rented a room for himself, his wife and their four-year-old son, from Horr about a month ago. The rent had been paid up until to day, and yesterday Iveagh told Horr that he intended to move. Conflicting stories are told as to the causes of the shooting, but it seems to have followed an attempt by Iveagh to enter his room after he had been locked out by Horr.

DALLAS, TEXAS, Dec. 11.—Alexander Horr is well known in Dallas and other Texas cities. Some six or seven years ago he published a chain of socialistic papers in this State.

PILIPINO WOMEN'S LEAGUE.

Urging Peace and Submission to the U. S. Authorities in the Islands.

By Cable to the Morning Star

MANILA, Dec. 11.—The women's peace league, organized under the leadership of Senorita Problete, a Filipino, has transmitted letters, with the permission of General Chaffee, urging peace upon the insurgent General Malvar and other Filipino chiefs.

These letters remind the Filipino leaders in the field that the war has destroyed innumerable homes and devastated large territories, all of which, while it abundantly proves the tenacity of the insurgents and their faith in their cause, does not remove the fact that the operations of soldiers throughout the island daily demonstrate the resolution of the people of the United States to make their sovereignty respected throughout the archipelago. The league urges the leaders to make peace to avoid greater evils.

The women's league has received a cablegram to the effect that the Filipino General Luban, who is in Samar, is pleading for a discontinuance of hostilities.

$40,000 SHORT.

E. L. Powell, Corresponent of Murphy & Co., at Wilson, N. C., Disappears.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., December 11.—A special to the *Observer* from Wilson, N. C., says: E. L. Powell, correspondent of the brokerage business of Murphy & Company, New York, has disappeared from Wilson, $40,000 short in his accounts. He left a note, saying he would commit suicide, and mailed it in Rocky Mount. It is supposed he is in New York. Wilsonians lose heavily on his deal. He claims in his note that he lost the amount on Union Pacific and cotton deals.

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SENATOR M'LAURIN WAS NOT PRESENT

Democratic Senators Held Their First Caucus for the Session Yesterday.

NO CHANGE IN ORGANIZATION

Senator Jones Unanimously Re-elected Chairman—Committee Assignments. Important Changes Proposed by Republicans.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The Democratic Senators to-day held their first caucus of the present session. Its purpose was to consider committee assignments, but the occasion was more than ordinarily significant because of the general attendance upon the caucus. All the Senators elected as Democrats, with the exception of Senator McLaurin, of South Carolina, were present, as were all the Senators who were elected as Silver Republicans or Populists. All the independents, except Senator Teller, of Colorado, had entered the Democratic caucus held just before adjournment last March, but Senator Teller then remained away. He was present, however, at to-day's conference and participated in the proceedings. The caucus was called at the instance of Senator Jones, of Arkansas, who stated that he had thought it possible that the new Senators might want to make some change in the officers of the caucus. There was, however, a general expression of satisfaction with the present officials, and Senator Jones was re elected unanimously chairman of the caucus. The old committee on order of business also was re appointed, and the only vacancy on that committee was filled by the selection of Senator Dubois, of Idaho, who was the choice of all the Western members of the caucus.

During the proceedings Senator Tillman suggested that there should be frequent conferences, and a continued effort to agree upon the main features of all political controversies. There was a quite general response to this suggestion, and the opinion was fairly unanimous that the party should present a united front, permitting no more straggling than was absolutely necessary.

Senator Jones presented a statement from the Republican Committee on Committees, outlining its wishes as to the committee assignments, from which it appeared that the Republicans were anxious to increase the Republican membership of several committees and to decrease the Democratic membership of a few committees. The most important change suggested by them was that the Republicans should be allowed to add a member to their side of the Committee on Commerce, while the Democrats should agree to surrender one of the places on that committee held by them. The committee as now constituted includes ten Republican members and seven Democratic members. It was decided vigorously to oppose this innovation. The Republicans also expressed a desire to increase the membership of the Committee on Agriculture an Census, from nine to eleven each, the two new members to be Republicans; to increase the Committee on Claims from thirteen to fourteen, the Republicans to have eight members and the Democrats six, as against seven and six respectively, as the committee is now constituted. An increase is also proposed in the Committee on Foreign Relations. As it at present stands the committee numbers eleven members, four of whom are Democrats. The proposal is to make it consist of thirteen members, eight of whom shall be Republicans and five Democrats. A change was also suggested in the Committee on Irrigation, which is at present composed of six Republicans and five Democrats. The change, if adopted, would give a membership of eleven, only four of whom would be Democrats. The Democrats decided to oppose the proposed changes in the committee on Claims and irrigation.

The Republican committee suggested no changes in the committees on appropriations, finance and judiciary; but indicated that they will continue Senator Jones, of Nevada, on the Finance Committee, thus practically adding one to the Republican representation, and taking one from the opposition representation. The Republicans did not indicate any intention to take care of Senator Wellington in the matter of committees nor was any suggestion made in the caucus that the Democrats should find places for him.

ASSAULT ON MRS. DENNIS.

Woman Hovering Between Life and Death. No Tangible Clue to Perpetrator of the Crime.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, December 11.—Mrs. Ada Gilbert Dennis, the fashionable dressmaker found mysteriously assaulted in her apartments yesterday, is hovering between life and death today. She showed some improvement this morning, but the chance is very slight for recovery. "It's a woman!" "It's in a book!" "I'll tell you all about it!" are the only incoherent words that the detectives sitting by her side have been able to distinguish.

A small old-fashioned hatchet, which probably had been used by the family for many years, was found by detectives to-day in a closet in the room of the elder Mrs. Dennis, mother-in-law of the injured woman. The result of chemical analysis failed to disclose the presence of blood stains on that weapon and the police attach no significance to the finding of it. There is no tangible clue to the perpetrator of the crime.

COAL CAR SHORTAGE.

Textile Industries in Southern States May be Forced to Shut Down.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Dec. 11.—The coal car shortage, together with a notice from the Southern Railway that it will confiscate coal for its use, threatens grave danger to industries of four States which depend on Coal Creek and Jellico for their supplies. So serious is the coal shortage becoming that textile industries in Tennessee, Georgia and North and South Carolina may be compelled to shut down.

Coal operators of this section are said to be losing thousands of dollars through their inability to get cars to move their output.

Hugh L. Smith & Co., New York, stock brokers have suspended. The firm had no stock exchange members.

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THE FEDERATION OF LABOR.

The Great Question of Trade Autonomy. Many Resolutions Adopted—Report of the Executive Committee.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SCRANTON, PA., December 11.—Business closely relating to the organization of labor in those fields where there is no union and the strengthening of the hands of those who have embraced unionism, took up most of the time of to-day's session of the American Federation of Labor, which is now in convention in this city. Thirty odd resolutions were considered, upon eight of which final action was taken. All the other propositions were either sent back to committees or referred to the incoming executive council, which has power to dispose of the questions referred to it.

The great question of trade autonomy is now in the hands of the special committee appointed to consider the subject. The personnel of the committee was named at the morning session, and other documents relating to trade or industrial autonomy were referred to it. The committee has already started work and will make a report probably Friday or Saturday.

Among the resolutions adopted were these: Requesting terra cotta pressers and finishers unions to affiliate with the International Brick, Tile and Terra Cotta Workers Alliance, or have their charters revoked by the federation; recommending that the federation make an effort during the coming year to organize the school teachers of this country; authorizing the federation to send representatives to national and international organizations, particularly those of railway employes, endorsing the label of the international wood carver's association and instructing the executive council to use every effort to secure the passage of a national law protecting and legalising union labels.

The report of the executive council is a comprehensive review of all matters that have come before the council. The Shaffer-Gompers-Mitchell controversy, growing out of the recent steel strike, is not mentioned. The report eulogizes the late President McKinley and recommends that the federation make a direct appropriation to the McKinley memorial fund. The council advocates the passage by Congress of an anti-injunction and Chinese exclusion laws. Revision of the "Don't Patronize" list is recommended as it is too long and many firms are out of existence.

A resolution calling for the appointment of more colored men as organizers in the South evoked some debate. A motion was adopted to refer the matter to the executive council for final action.

RUN ON A BANK

A Private Institution On Canal Street, New York City.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Owing to an unfavorable but apparently unfounded rumor as to the solvency of a private bank kept by S. Jarmulowsky, on Canal street, there was a run on the institution to-day. Residents of the east side, many of whom had small accounts, filled the office and the street outside. Depositors were given their money as fast as they could crowd past the tellers' window and every one was assured that the bank was entirely solvent. Jarmulowsky estimates that 300 depositors withdrew their accounts and about $30,000 was paid out.

WARM WIRELETS

The Red Cross Society unanimously re-elected Miss Clara Barton president of the society.

John A. Hess, of Buchanan, W. Va., committed suicide at a small hotel in New York city by inhaling gas. He had been dead some time when found.

Maj. John Tweedale, of the record and pension office, Washington, has been designated as the representative of the War Department at the Charleston Exposition.

For twenty minutes yesterday the Senate was occupied with routine business and then went into executive session to consider the Hay-Pauncefote treaty.

Police Commissioner Murphy of New York, has announced that he will dismiss Captain Diamond from the police force. Diamond was recently convicted of neglect of duty.

A block of business houses, seventeen in number, at Sweetwater, Tex., was destroyed by fire yesterday. The loss is estimated at not less than $150,000, partly covered by insurance.

The railway yards at El Paso, Texas, are blocked with cars of east bound California oranges. The orange movement through El Paso and across Texas for the Eastern markets is the heaviest ever known.

The Alabama State Board of Registrars have appointed registrars in fifteen counties to register voters under the provisions of the new constitution. This marks the beginning of the disfranchisement of negroes in Alabama.

Articles for a match between Terry McGovern and Dave Sullivan, featherweight pugilists, were signed in New York yesterday. The bout will take place January 30th before the club offering the best terms.

The American Federation of Catholic Societies, temporarily organized at Long Branch last Summer and permanently established in Cincinnati this week, will hold its first regular national convention in Chicago, July 15th, 1902.

Fire of unknown origin at Wooster, O., destroyed the main buildings of the University of Wooster. The loss is estimated at $250,000, insurance about $70,000. It is supposed that an explosion of chemicals in one of the laboratories was the cause.

The Louisville, Ky., Savings, Loan and Building Association, which has been in business in that city for eleven years, has filed a deed of assignment. The liabilities are estimated at $80,000 and it is stated that the assets amount to 85 cents on the dollar.

A railroad company, which includes among its directors officials of the Pennsylvania and Long Island railroad companies, has been incorporated to operate a railroad line through an under ground tunnel connecting New Jersey with Long Island.

A new line of steamers, to carry export trade from La Porte, Texas, to Manchester, Eng., is in course of construction and a portion of the fleet will be completed and ready to put in commission by the time the channel now under construction between La Porte and Galveston is finished.

As a result of statements made in a recently published interview regarding the ability of the Cubans to govern themselves which have been deemed indiscreet, Lieutenant Commander Lucien Young has been relieved by Secretary Long of his present post as captain of Havana.

A correspondent of the London *Standard*, telegraphing from Brussels, says that he hears that confidential negotiations are imminent between Great Britain and Holland which are not unlikely to result in an arrangement for bringing Boer women and children to Holland.

EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY.

By the Governor of Alabama in the Case of Mrs Nannie Cheek.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

MONTGOMERY, ALA., Dec. 11.—Gov. Jelks to day granted a parole to Mrs. Nannie Cheek, who was recently convicted in Henry county of killing Mr. Danzey, her divorced husband. She had married Danzey when she was 13 years old. A divorce followed, after two children were born, and Mrs. Danzey re-married R. M. Cheek, of Georgia. She returned to Alabama and attempted to secure possession of her children, who had been placed in custody of Danzey by the courts. Danzey had re-married. In a three-cornered fight between Danzey, Mrs. Cheek and her brother, Danzey was killed and the brother-in-law was wounded, afterwards dying. Mrs. Cheek, who is less than twenty years old, was sentenced to two years' imprisonment upon conviction of manslaughter and had been imprisoned several weeks when the parole was secured through the earnest efforts of Cheek, the husband, and Baker, the father. Executive clemency was recommended by the trial jury, the trial judge and the State's attorney.

FIRE IN NEW YORK.

Broke Out Early This Morning in the Dennison Paper Manufacturing Building.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, December 12.—Fire broke out in the Dennison Paper Manufacturing Company's store building, at 198 Broadway, at 1:45 this morning. In a very short time it had spread through this narrow six-story building and attacked Hegeman's drug store, 196 Broadway.

The President yesterday sent the following nominations to the Senate: Francis E. Baker, Indiana, to be United States circuit judge for the Seventh Judicial district. Postmasters—North Carolina, Wallace W. Rollins, Asheville; Leroy L. Brinkley, Edenton. South Carolina, Thomas E. Husband, Dillon; Eliza Appelt, Manning.

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Five hundred new Umbrellas for presents, with Silver and Pearl handles. Just received three hundred pieces fine Fur that we are selling, practically speaking, at less than half price. A fine Collarette at 69 cents. A Fur Cape for 98c. And everthing in Fur as high as you want to go. A Fur Collarette and Muff for $6.50. A real Fur, with head, eyes and tail, for 98c. One hundred beautiful new Silk, Satin and Velvet waists. Waists that are worth $3, $4 and $5 each, in black, all sizes, at $2 each. Beautiful Silk Skirts, best Taffeta goods, for $5.00 and $7.50 each. Ladies fine all wool Homespun Skirts for $2, worth $3.50. Fine Flannel waists at $1. Mercerized Satteen waists at 48c. Striped underskirts worth $1, now 48c. One hundred and fifty black mercerized Underskirts at from 50c to $1.19. Ladies Cloaks—all styles, all prices.

A beautiful Broadcloth Cloak with pearl buttons in tan, black and castor, worth $10, my price $6.50. Beautiful Cloaks in nice new styles at $5. A few very handsome Cloaks that sold for $15 and $18, we are now selling out for $10 and $12.50—tan and castor only.

Our Men and Boys' Clothing Department is receiving great attention now—every day we are adding new value—new goods coming in all the time. We are selling $8 Suits for $5 and $10 Suits for $7.50. We have just bought to-day from factory all they had of lines of very fine Gentlemen Suits. Suits that retail for $15 and $20, my price on them is $10 and $12 50. A new line of Raglan Overcoats, strictly $10 coats, for $7.50. Just received, twenty fine Tricot Coats, regular $10 garments. I am closing them out at $5, saving you half and giving you a good coat. A Beaver Coat, full length and full size, $4.50 each. A Youth's very heavy coat with storm collar, for $1.98. A few small boys' Reefers cheap. A couple of 12-year old boy's Overcoats, worth $6, for $4.

In our Millinery Department we are making up a special line of Velvet Hats, trimmed in silk and nice fancy feathers. Hats that we sold for $2 we can now sell 100 of them at $1 each. A big drive in all Silk Ribbons. No. 40, all silk, for 10c, worth 20c per yard.

In our Dress Goods Department, on first floor, we are doing an immense business. We are selling goods, and why? Because we have what the people want, and everybody needs, at the lowest price of anybody in North Carolina. Best Pee Dee Plaids for 4½c per yard. Sea Island Shirting, fine grade, at 5c per yard. Yard-wide Sheeting at 4c per yard. A splendid Glass Lantern for 10c.

A big line of Ladies' Mackintosh Coats we want to sell cheap. 10,000 Christmas Cards and Calendars of all kinds, from 1c up to $1 each. 500 Paper-bound Novels, worth 10c and 20c, my price 5c each.

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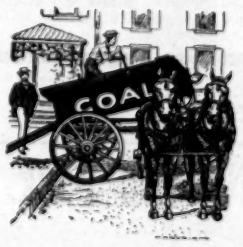

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